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is still unprofitable, railroad officials say.

#### Murphy Confirmed As Agriculture Dept. Head

BOSTON-Howard Haynes Murphy of Osterville was yesterday confirmed by the executive council as commissioner of agriculture, to succeed Edgar L. Gillett of Canton, formerly of Westfield, by vote of 6 to 3 on straight party lines. He was given the each of effect of the straight party lines. given the oath of office at once by the governor.

The governor sent in no new appointments this week, explaining, "I don't want to put anyone out of a job for Christmas."

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# STATE-WIDE SEARCH FOR PRISON GUARD SLAYERS

#### Mourning Displaces Christmas Happiness In Home of Widow and Six Children of Victim as Police Hunt Two Convicts

BOSTON, Dec. 24 (AP)-Search for two fugitive criminals who murdered their guard continued tonight as the sombre trappings of mourning displaced the bright ornaments of Christmas in the home of the widow and six children of their vic-

While plans were made to place the body of Walter Doucette, 45, state prison guard, in its last resting place, a price was put upon the heads of Edward Guarnelli, 26, and Antonio Repucci 25 the two convicts who overpowered and shot him to death as he was taking them to prison last nght Rewards of \$1000 for the taking of each of the fugitives, dead or alive, were offered by Governor James M. Curley on behan of the state.

Warrants were issued charging the convicts with murder and District Attorney William J. Foley announced indictments on the same charges would be asked of a grand

jury Monday.

Doucette was slain, with his own pistol, as he was taking the pair in a taxi back to state prison, where they were serving 10 to 12 years for burglary. They had been taken from the prison to Dedham Superior court to face charges of breaking and entering and had just received additional sentences of six months each.

Slaying of the guard brought expressions of indignation that only one guard had been assigned to two prisoners for transportation in public vehicles and was responsible for an immediate change in the system of handling prisoners.

Arthur T. Lyman, commissioner of correction announced that "never again will only one guard be sent out with two prisoners."

Lyman said such practice had (Continued on Page Mine)

been followed many years.

"The only thing I can say," he explained, "is that it has always been the custom to send but one guard along with either one or two convicts.

Names His Slayer

Before his life ebbed away in City Hospital, Doucette, who was shot in the abdomen, named Repucci as the convict who shot him.

"I am sure " this because I know both men well; it was Repucci who fired the shot," District Attorney Foley quoted the dying guard as saving.

Search for the fugitives was extended tonight as evidence indicated the men had left the North End section of the city, into which they disappeared after the The guard's pistol was shooting. recovered in Everett, nearby city in which both men formerly resided. A restaurant keeper told police he took the pistol away from Guaranelli last night when the latter came in threatening to "shoot it out" with any policeman. A report the men were seen in Framingham was under investiga-

Both fugitives have long records of previous convictions.

Late tonight, on information furnished by Gloucester police, three Boston police detectives rushed to that city. The information, they said, indicated the fugitives might be in hiding in the Italian section of Gloucester.

Lieutenant Edward J. Keating and Inspectors Louis Di Sessa and Joseph Marshall, the Boston officers, left by automobile.

A search by 20 other officers, of a house in the West End, occupied by a relative of Repucci, failed to reveal any trace of the pair.

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**COURIER-CITIZEN** Lowell, Mass.

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## TEXTILE ADDITION PUT UP TO CURLEY

Committee Representing Trustees and President Eames Confers in Hub.

A committee representing the trustees of the Lowell Textile Institute, President Charles H. Eames of the institute and a group of legislators from this city, conferred with Governor James M. Curley yesterday relative to the possibility of securing an addition to the buildings housing the chemistry department at the institute.

The proposed addition would be on the easterly side of the institute buildings and would cost approximately \$150,000. It is proposed that it be constructed by the state as one of its projects to be carried out on federal funds. Governor Curley promised to consider the matter.

The trustees were represented by Charles W. Churchill, Thomas T. Clark and Charles J. McCarty. The legislators included Senator William F. McCarthy and Representative Thomas A. Delmore, George T. Ashe, Albert Bergeron, Albert L. Bourgeois and Frank E. MacLean.

#### FALMOUTH

W. R. C. Election Mrs. Alice E. Pease was chosen president of the B. F. Jones Women's Relief corps at the annual election of officers in the Relief corps rooms in Legion hall last Wednesday night. Mrs. Clara Hamblin was elected senior vice-president and Mrs. Ada Wixon, junior vice-president.

Other officers are: Randall, treasurer; Mrs. Angie Cahoon, chaplain; Mrs. Mary D. Fish, conductor; Mrs. Julia E. Lawrence, guard; Mrs. Alice E. Pease, delegate to the department convention; and Mrs. Ada Wixon, alternate to convention. Appointive officers will be named at a later date by the president. Installation will be Jan. 15.

At a Christmas party following the election, members exchanged gifts and carols were sung. Mrs. Lena Studley and her committee served refreshments.

Injured in Accident

Alfred Holmes, who was injured in an automobile accident on Wednesday in North Falmouth, and was on the danger list at the Cape Cod hospital for a few days, is now reported as improving, and on the road to recovery. With him at the time of the accident were A. L. Ames of Locust street, and Leander Blomberg of Quissett. Mr. Blomberg, who with Mr. Holmes was taken to the hospital in the ambulance from the Pocasset hospital, was discharged on Friday, but was suffering with a strained back and Mr. Ames suffered a strained back and minor injuries.

Mr. Holmes, who with Mrs. Holmes, lives with Mr. Ames, is from New York city. He was driving his own car, police say, when a small truck, operated by Charles Correia of New Bedford, cut across in front of him, swinging into the Rego yard. Mr. Holmes struck the truck a glancing blow and his sedan overturned and slid on its side for several feet, on a bank. Dr. H. O. Hunt of North Falmouth treated the men and sent them to the hospital. The sedan was almost completely wrecked but the truck was only slightly damaged.

The accident occurred near the junction of the new and old State roads.

O. E. S. Election Election of officers and the annual Christmas tree party were held Thursday night at Masonic hall, when Mrs. Oscar S. Lefevre of Maravista was elected to the office of worthy matron of Goodwill

chapter, No. 123, Order of Eastern

The entire slate of officers will not be complete until the night of installation, Monday, January 27, when the worthy matron appoints her assistants.

Other officers elected were: Mrs. Samuel T. Smith, associate matron; Charles N. Holden, worthy patron; Ray D. Wells, associate patron; Mrs. Ralph Nickerson, conductors of Mrs. Ralph Nickerson, conductors of Mrs. ductress; Mrs. Oscar S. Simpson, associate conductress; Mrs. W. Arlton Turner, secretary, and Mrs. J.

Edward Nickerson, treasurer.

The chairman of the Christmas plans was Mrs. John Ellery, with Mrs. Harold Underwood as chairman, and Mrs. John C. Moore assistant, on refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Morrison and two children have gone to Durham, N. H., to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin A. Morrison. They plan to make this a double celebration while there, when they honor Mr. Morrison's parents on their 50th wedding anniversary. The elder couple, both of whom are 72 years of age, are in good health. They plan to have only relatives of the couple attend a dinner, for although Mrs. Morrison's health is good, she does not stand much excitement. Mr. Morrison is their only child.

Vattier Snyder has gone to spend Christmas day in Bloomfield, N. J. with his daughter, Mrs. Dean Wirick, where Mrs. Snyder has been since last week. Mr. Snyder's duties bring him home Thursday, while Mrs. Snyder will return next

Mrs. Reuben P. Hamblin spent Saturday and Sunday in Dorchester, as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip H. Richardson of Nutley, N. J., are spending Christmas with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Wiswall.

Mrs. Flora Nightingale enter-tained the Fahneta Sewing circle at her home at the Heights all day Friday.

William Hatch is in Boston for two weeks, visiting relatives.

The Floyd M. Soule family have moved from Falmouth to the Carrie Douglas house in Woods Hole.

Selectman Charles R. Stowers and Mrs. Stowers are spending Christmas in North Easton, with her father, Frank Eames. Their niece, Dorothy Rogers, who makes her home with them in Quissett, is spending the holidays in Needham with her father, Alexander Rogers.

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Mr. and Mrs. Austin F. Lawrence will entertain today their daughter, Mrs. Winthrop Davis of Lynn, and her family.

Mrs. Reuben P. Hamblin held a very successful whist party at her home Friday night, with five tables in play. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Eva Jones and William Hatch, with consolation going to Mrs. Reuben Service and Arthur El-

dredge, and a special prize to Mrs. Frank Sylvia. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lefevre and daughter, Dorothy, left Saturday for Jamaica Plain, to spend the holiday season with his mother, Mrs. Oscar Lefevre, Sr.
Mrs. May H. Waldmere left

Mrs. May H. Waldmere left Monday to spend two weeks in Dorchester with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. William

Richard Whorf, popular player of the Beach theatre and a rising theatrical trooper, playing now on Broadway in Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew," with Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontaine, is considering the films in Hollywood, having been offered the part of Napoleon in a lavish production to be produced on the West coast.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stellwagen, who have been in Philadelphia for three months, arrived Saturday to join their daughter, Mrs. A. N. Thomson, for Christmas, and plan to remain here at their Heights

Mr. and Mrs. William Wagner and daughter, Jean, plan to leave on Friday for Atlantic, to visit Mrs. Wagner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Simpson, until New Year's eve.

Mrs. Clifford L. Hubbard has gone to Norfolk to spend the Winter with her mother, Mrs. Joseph

Mr. and Mrs. Alan D. Craig and daughter, Constance, are spending the holidays in Brookline with his

The Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary held a Christmas party at the V. F. W. hall in Teaticket Fr lay afternoon, for children of members of the two organidations. organitations. George Panton, past commander of the post, and Mrs. Florence Hunt, president of the auxiliary, were co-chairmen in charge of the party.

Harold L. Crocker has returned to his home in Maravista after being confined for some time to the Newport Naval hospital.

John H. Backus of New Bedford, a member of Governor Curley's secretarial staff, addressed a public meeting of the James M. Curley Democratic club of Falmouth in the Junior High school Thursday evening. Others on the program included Ernest P. Ponte, president of the Jefferson Democratic club of New Bedford, and Councillor Philip J. Russell of Fall River.

Thomas Ferreira, president of the local club, presided.

Mr. and Mrs. William Enos of Cahoon Court are parents of a daughter, Yvonne Agnes, born Dec.

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#### BRUTALITY ON BEACON HILL

The Commonwealth has become so accustomed recently to hang its head in shame at the flagrant disregard on Beacon Hill of wholesome old principles and upright old practices that it expects additional outrages as a matter of course for another year. Nevertheless, the whole community will be shocked by the heartless ousting of Dr. Payson Smith, commissioner of education, and the immediate appointment and confirmation of his successor.

We lose a high-minded, conscientious, capable gentleman, who has served us admirably for twenty years without any thought of race, religion, partisan politics or anything except the good of the Com-

monwealth.

He has had the confidence and respect of every Governor but Mr. Curley. He has made the depart-ment of education one of the finest in the country, and a model for our sister states. Practically all the school superintendents Massachusetts, with the conspicuous exception of the Adams man who replaces him, not only endorsed him but pleaded that he should have another term. Our own superintendent of schools, Patrick T. Campbell, was foremost in the vain effort to persuade the Governor to go the way of decency.

The peremptory removal of Commissioner Smith was obviously due to cheap, shoddy politics on the part of the Governor and of a Council majority which he dominates whenever he cares to. No other valid explanation of the proceedings of yesterday can be offered. In his blind rage at Republicans and at all others who refuse to do his bidding, the Governor is running amuck without concern for the damage which he is inflicting on the Commonwealth.

And how cowardly his tactics were! Disgraceful as the removal his tactics itself was, the methods employed were just as bad. The Governor went in mock seriousness through the empty formality of first pre-senting the name of Commissioner Smith, well knowing that by prearrangement the Council would re-fuse to confirm. The Governor is utterly childish if he has the notion that this self-serving action will deceive anybody, even the most gul-lible. He aggravated his gross offence by his transparent attempt to set up an alibi in advance.

The whole episode marks a new low in the administration of the affairs of this Commonwealth. One more charge has been added to the long list on which the unpacked jury of the people will vote when they go to the polls next year. Boston Herald.

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Gov Curley acted wisely on Monday in temporarily withdrawing from the executive council his recommendation that a sentence of 10 to 12 years against Henry A. Gardner, Worcester "firebug," be commuted to four to 12 years-a step which would make Gardner eligible for parole.

Previously Gov Curley had spoken blusteringly about those who opposed this commutation. He had seen fit to deliver a brief sermon on the Christian virtue of forgiveness-a sermon which was supposed to have added piquancy from the fact that members of one Worcester church were especially opposed to the liberation of Gardner. The issue, however, was not one of forgiveness, but of public protection. This issue was presented so clearly on Monday by Dist-Atty Hoban Worcester county and by other remonstrants that Gov Curley announced withdrawal of the recommendation.

Gardner burned two churches in Worcester-one belonging to the Pleasant Street Baptist society and the other the familiar ed fice of All Saints. He burned a number of other buildings. While he was at large there was virtually "a reign of terror" in Worcester and surrounding towns, as was said at the hearing in Boston on Monday.

Gardner's conduct showed that he had a real mania for setting fires. But this mania affected him only when he was intoxicated. There was no evidence of deliberate and wanton destruction. He has been a good prisoner, and the prison authorities and the commissioner of correction approved the recommended commutation. But the people of Worcester, and especially those who suffered through his strange conduct, want to know what assurance there is that he will not resume his destructive ways.

As Dist-Atty Hoban advised, Gardner will be examined by psychiatrists. Whether or not psychiatry is able to render an exhaustive analysis, the governor and council will be well advised in deciding the question of commutation as a matter of public safety.

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#### STATE HOUSE NOTES

Curley's Secretaries Present Gift Boston, Dec. 24—Gov Curley this afternoon received a Christmas gift of five dozen golf balls from his secretarial staff. His gift to each was 10 new silver dollars.

Father Coughlin's Greeting to Gov Curley Rev Charles E. Coughlin, radio

priest, today wished Gov Curley and his family "a holy and happy Christ-mas." His letter to the governor read: "My dear Governor Jim; May I intrude upon you for a moment to wish you and your loved ones a holy and happy Christmas. May the child Jesus bless you and love you now and for-ever."

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# State Will Send Cheer To 35,000 of Its Wards

Tons of Turkey, Candy and Other Good Things Will Be Served to Inmates of State Institutions-State House Has 1000 Candles

From Our Special Reporter

Boston, Dec. 24-Cheer and material things to help make a merry Christ-mas will be provided by the common-wealth this year to approximately 35,-000 sick and unfortunate men, women and children, patients of state hospitals and institutions.

This means tons and tons of turkey, candy, delicacies of all kinds, decorations for hundreds of Christmas trees in hospital wards, and, in many cases, special gifts for those who have no kin to remember them Christmas morning

1000 Candles in State House

The State House itself, with more than 1000 electric candles gleaming from its windows, and an eight-foot wreath adorning the Bulfinch front, typifies the commonwealth's devotion to its duty of propagating the Christ-

mas among all its citizens.

The custom of gifts and parties in departments is being replaced this year in most of them by the filling and distribution of Christmas baskets for the needy. State House employes were dismissed today at noon, leaving only skeleton forces on duty.

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"As governor of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, it is an exceeding pleasure to extend to you and your family sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a most happy New

Year.

"I sincerely trust that the program presented this day may bring some measure of joy upon this Christmas day in 1936 mince pie, morning.

At state ers will be Roast por mince pie,

will find you and your family enjoying health, happiness and all of God's choicest blessings.
(Signed) "JAMES M. CURLEY."
State Hospital Menu

Turkey, of course, is the feature of the Christmas menu at all except penal institutions under state control. Here is a representative menu, this one being prepared for the patients of the Taunton state hospital which under the department of mental diseases:

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### TWO OFFICERS WILL **ACCOMPANY PRISONERS**

Killing of State Prison Officer Leads to Change in Instructions Add Holyoke

From Our Special Reporter.

Boston, Dec. 24-Correction Commissioner Arthur T. Lyman has issued an order that two officers be used henceforth in accompanying used henceforth in accompanying prisoners from state prison to court or elsewhere. The new order results from the killing of Walter R. Doucette, senior state prison guard, by two prisoners yesterday afternoon while he was returning them from Dedham court to prison. Heretofore, one guard has accompanied two pris-

oners, sometimes three.

Consideration is also being given,
Lyman said, to the use of a "black
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maria" for transportation of prisoners, instead of taxicabs. No decision as to type of vehicle has been made. Commissioner Lyman declared that Doucette was of the opinion that the assault which resulted in his death, and the escape plan were not prearranged. The guard, Lyman said, was of the opinion that the prisoners took advantage of the traffic tieup along Atlantic avenue during the evening hour.

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Although guards have been instructed to use their own judgment with respect to the proper method of safely returning prisoners to prison, the commissioner said that Doucete should not have been hand-cuffed to the prisoners. With the use of two guards, he added, one could be handcuffed to the prisoners and the other would be allowed freedom of both hands.

Gov Curley today offered a reward of \$1000 for the apprehension of Edward Guarnelli and Antonio Reppucci, the prisoners who killed Dou-

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# LIFE PRISONERS FREED; TWO FROM HAMPDEN COUNTY

Samuel Powers of Springfield Going to New York, Morris Levine of Holyoke to Burlington, Vt.

From Our Special Reporter

Boston, Dec. 24—Two women, one living in Harlem and the other in Burlington, Vt., came to the aid of two state prison lifers from Hampden county when they left the State House this afternoon, freed by Gov Curley and the executive council from prison, where they had been sentenced after murdering

The two men are Samuel Powers of Springfield and Morris Levine of Holyoke, Powers was committed in 1914, after killing his wife at their Ferry street home in a jealous rage. Levine was committed in 1928 after having stabbed his wife to death in their Holyoke home during an argu-

#### Levine to Live With Sister

Levine will go to Burlington, Vt., to spend the rest of his life at the home of his sister, While Powers, a Negro, aged 67, will go to New York city to live with a married sister and her husband.

Levine was pardoned because of physical ailments and of them said this afternoon: "That is so, but I'm still able to do a good job of painting and am sure that I can find plenty to do in Burlington. I lived them for do in Burlington. I lived there for about 15 years and will be over-Joyed to get back there again." He was high in his praise of the manner in which Norfolk price. ner in which Norfolk prison colony is conducted, having been there four months.

"They treat you so well and so much like as though you were worthy of consideration that you just couldn't go wrong again," he declared. "And I want to say that much of this is due to the manner in which the prison is conducted by Supt Maurice, Wingley and Danyty Leby

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Powers, who is 46, was delighted with his opportunity to start life afresh and grinned broadly while at the State House. "Believe me, it's roing to be a happy Christmas for going to be a happy Christmas for me," he remarked. "Just as soon as she learned that I had been given a she learned that I had been given a pardon, my sister, who runs a beauty shop down in Harlem, got in touch with me and told me that as soon as I got out, to take the first train there and that when I arrived, she would help me to set up in business. Isn't that a break?"

Wojeiech Birusz of Salem, the third lifer pardoned, having served 15 years for killing Mary B. Lavoie, was not at the State House because he is an alien and must be deported.

#### Curley Speaks to Men

Greeting the six whom he pardoned, Gov Curley said :-

'Christmas conveys to every rightthinking person 'peace on earth, good will to men.' The commonwealth has exemplified its belief in that by granting a pardon to you men. On the eve of the birthday of Christ, you are being returned to your families and your friends. How long you remain with them depends entirely on yourselves.

"Obey the laws and you will be safe. If you violate the laws, you must suffer the penalties. There is one thing I want you to remember and that is that the old law of compensation never sleeps—it always works. If you do good deeds you will be rewarded. If you do evil deeds, you will never escape punishment.

"It is entirely up to you to recognize your duty to society. Do it in the real way, the honest way, the Christian way. Remember your obligations to all others. May God guide you so that your will conduct yourselves as that you will conduct yourselves as ornaments to society, rather than otherwise."

The other prisoners freed today

William Hooper of Lynn, sentenced March 24, 1933, to six to seven years

for manslaughter. Sentence was commuted to one of three to seven years.

Thomas J. Panetta of Cambridge.
sentenced June 19, 1929, to 12 to 20
years for manslaughter; shot Dominic Somerelli. Sentence commuted to one

of seven to 20 years.

Joseph Zinkowitch of Worcester,
sentenced in 1928 to 15 to 18 years for stealing \$30. Sentence commuted to one of 11 to 15 years.

William G. Henry of Dorchester, sentenced June 5, 1934, to three to five years for larceny of \$17,000 from Minot Cooperative bank of Dorchester.

Chairman Richard Olney of the parole board said the seven prisoners paroled were selected from a group of 50 recommended to the governor and council by the parole board for their consideration and selection.

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### ARCHBISHOP PAYS VISIT TO GOV CURLEY

Theodosius From Tyre and Sidon, in Robes of Office, at State House

From Our Special Reporter

Boston, Dec. 24- His eminence, Theodosius, archbishop of Tyre and Sidon, and delegate of the Patriarchate of Antioch, who is in this country to supervise the election of a bishop of the Syrian branch of the Greek Catholic church for North America and to instal the newly-elected bishop in office, today visited the State House and paid his re-spects to Gov Curley and Atty-Gen Paul A. Dever.

Clothed in the robes of his office and carrying a long, silver-topped cane, the archbishop made an im-pressive sight as he went through long, silver-topped the corridors, followed by a large re-

tinue.

The governor and attorney-general in turn paid their respects to the archbishop, wishing him the compliments of the season. They had previously spoken of him at a banquet given in his honor Monday night. In turn, the archbishop insisted on visiting them in their offices, and today pronounced blessings of his church upon the people of the commonwealth. He particuof the commonwealth. He particularly blessed the attorney-general for his energetic drive against crime.

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# **COMMONWEALTH** WILL PLAY SANTA FOR 35,000 TODAY

Sick and Unfortunate of State Institutions Will Get Special Dinners and Gifts

(Special to The Springfield Union) BOSTON, Dec. 24—Approximately 35,000 sick and unfortunate men, women and children, a sufficient number to populate a fair-sized town, will depend this year upon the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to provide them with both good cheer and material provision, which go to make up a merry Christmas. They are patients and inmates of State hospitals and institutions.

This means the purchase of tons and tons of turkey, candy, delicacies of all descriptions, also the buying of decorations for hundreds of Christmas trees for hospital wards and, in many cases, special gifts for those who have no one of their own kin to remember them on Christmas morning. The Commonwealth has not been found wanting in its traditional duty to spread the spirit of Christmas throughout every hospital, school, prison and welfare institution in the

The State House itself, with more than 1000 electric candles gleaming from its windows and an eight-foot wreath adorning the Bulfinch Front directly under the cupola, typifies the Commonwealth's devotion to its duty of propagating the Christmas spirit among all its citizens.

Christmas parties and exchange of gifts, which has been the custom among employes of the various departments of the State House, are being replaced this year, for the most part, by the filling and distribution of Christmas baskets among the needy. State House employes were dismissed at noon today, with the exception of those who comprise a small operating force to keep the various departments open to the service of the public.

Gov. Curley wrote a special Christ-mas message which will appear on the Christmas programs of the pa-tients of State hospitals and the children in welfare institutions. It reads

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#### State House Briefs

By Donal F. MacPhee

#### Greenfield Road Jobs

BOSTON, Dec. 24—Chief Engineer George H. Delano of the State Depart-ment of Public Works this afternoon announced that he will receive bids until Tuesday noon, Jan. 7, for 3076 feet of road construction and 3085 square yards of concrete sidewalks in Greenfield. A check for \$1900 must in Greenfield. A check for \$1900 must be filed with the bid.

#### Curley's Presents

Gov. Curley was presented five dozen golf balls by the members of his secretarial staff today. The Governor's gift to each was 10 new silver

#### Child Labor Amendment

Adoption of resolutions by the Massachusetts Legislature ratifying the proposed child labor amendment to the Constitution of the United States, is requested in a legislative petition by the State Federation of Labor. Labor also appeals for an increase in the compusiory school attendance age from 14 to 16 years.

#### U. S. Mill Law Asked

Resolutions memorializing Congress for enactment of Federal legislation prohibiting employment of women in industrial plants after 6 o'clock in the evening is proposed by Rep. Leo E. J. Carney of New Bredford.

New Liquor Rule

In a decision handed down today the State ABC Commission made the following new regulation: "All advertisements relating to the prices of alcoholic beverages which are puvertisements relating to the prices of alcoholic beverages which are published or printed shall state the brand name of the alcoholic beverage as it appears on the front or principal label on the container in which it is sold, and the exact quantity to be sold for a price which shall be specificially stated."

Columbus Day

Observance of Columbus Day would be similar to Armistice Day when Sunday laws are made applicable from 7 a. m. to 1 p. m. under the terms of a bill filed with the clerk of the House of Representatives today by Rep. Edward P. Bacigalupo of Bos-

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### Orders Mansfield **Case Investigation**

Curley's Move Raises Hope of Pardon, Newspaper Asserts

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 24 (AP)-The Standard Times says an investi-gation into the case of Herbert H. Mansfield, Jr., 19, has been ordered by the Governor's office, raising Mansfield's hopes for a pardon.

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The newspaper quotes John H. Backus, secretary to the Governor and advisor in penal matters, as saying the inquiry has been launched "due to the unusual circumstances attached to the case and the contrary opinions expressed in reference to the disposition of the matter."

# State House Briefs

By Telegram State House Reporter

BOSTON, Dec. 24.-Workmen's compensation would be paid to an injured person, incapacitated for seven days, from the date of injury under a bill filed today by Rep. Francis W. Irwin of Boston, Twen-ty-eight days is the requirement under the present law.

Governor Curley, one of the state's most distinguished golf addicts, was remembered today by his office staff just as the golfer likes to be remembered on Christmas. He was presented with sixty golf balls. Each staff member received ten silver dollars from the Governor. The Governor presented neckties to State House reporters.

The State Alcoholic Beverage Commission today ruled that all published or printed prices of alsoholic beverages shall give the brand name as it appears on the front or principal label of the container. The exact quantity to be sold for a specified price must be given.

Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, radio priest, sent Christmas greetings to Governor Curley today.

In a letter he said;

"My dear Governor Jim:
"May I intrude upon you for a
moment to wish you and your loved ones a holy and happy Christ-

mas.
"May the Child Jesus bless you and love you now and forever."

Briday night Governor Curley will be initiated into Theta Kappa Phi fraternity when the 10th annual convention of the organization opens in Hotel Manger. The Governor was made an honorary member of the organization when Lambda chapter of the fraternity was installed at Worcester Polytechnic Institute last month.

The Governor will open the convention. It will continue Saturday and Sunday at the University of New Hampshire, Durham, N. H. Gov. H. Styles Bridges of New Hampshire is expected to address the convention the convention.

Among the 242 bills and resolves which had been filed up to 5 p. m.

tonight

The Massachusetts Federation of Labor filed a resolve to ratify the proposed child labor amendment to the Constitution. A similar resolve was beaten in the Legislature this

A resolve asking Congress for legislation forbidding employment of women in industrial plants after 6 o'clock at night was filed by Rep.

Leo E. J. Carney of New Bedford. Organizations to give legal assistance would be authorized to practice law under a bill filed by Rep. David A. Rose of Boston, The State Federation of Labor

filed for legislation to fix the compulsory age for school children at 16 years instead of 14 years.

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# MANSFIELD'S CASE .

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# PRISON GUARD'S TWO MURDERERS WIDELY HUNTED

Mourning Replaces Yuletide Spirit in Doucette's Home: State Offers \$1000 Rewards

BOSTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Search for two fugitive criminals who murdered their guard continued tonight as somber trappings of mourning displaced bright ornaments of Christmas in the home of the widow and six children of their victim.

While plans were made to place the pody of Walter Doucette, 45, State prison guard, in its last resting place, price was put upon the heads of Edward Guarnelli, 26, and Antonio Re-pucci, 25, the two convicts who overpowered and shot him to death as he was taking them to the prison last night.

Rewards Offered

Rewards of \$1000 each for the fusitives, dead or alive, were offered by lov. James M. Curley on behalf of the State.

Warrants were issued charging the convicts with murder and Dist. Atty. William J. Foley announced indict-ments would be asked of a grand jury

Doucette was slain, with his own pistol, as he was taking the pair in a taxi cab back to State prison, where they were serving 10 to 12 years for burglary. They had been taken from the prison to Dedham to face charges of breaking and entering and had just received additional sentences of six months each.

Doucette's death brought expressions of indignation that only one guard

had been assigned to two prisoners for transportation in public vehicles and was responsible for an immediate change in the system of handling prisoners.

Arthur T. Lyman, commissioner of correction, announced that "never again will only one guard be sent out with two prisoners."

Lyman said such practise had been

followed many years.
"The only thing I can say," he explained, "is that it has always been the customs to send but one guard along with either one or two con-victs."

Before his life ebbed away in City Hospital, Doucette, who was shot in the abdomen, named Repucci as the convict who shot him. "I am sure of this because I know

both men well; it was Repucci who fired the shot," Dist. Atty. Foley quoted the dying guard as saying.

Search Is Extended

Search for the fugitives was extended tonight as evidence indicated the men had left the North End section of the city, into which they disappeared after the shooting. The guard's pistol was recovered in Everett, nearby city in which both men formerly resided.

A restaurant keeper told police he A restaint away from Guarnelli last night when the latter came in threatening to "shoot it out" with any policeman. A report the men seen in Framingham was under inves-

Both fugitives have long records of previous convictions.

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Few have written such a scathing indictment of the WPA as Commissioner Callahan, whom that staunch Roosevelt supporter, Governor Curley, appointed to the State Department of Public Works. He tells the Governor there has been a "complete breakdown" of the WPA sidewalk program in this State. Without closely considering the reasons why the Governor prefers to substitute his own sidewalk-building operations for those under Federal direction. it may be said that the record of the WPA to date in respect to the Massachusetts side-

walk operations, if correctly reported, needs no coloring to establish the conclusion that the work has been and continues to be woefully bungled.

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#### WORCESTER PRISONER GIVEN HIS FREEDOM

#### Zinkowitch, Sentenced For Robbery, Paroled

By Telegram State House Reporter BOSTON, Dec. 24.- Joseph Zinkowitch of Worcester, one of the several prisoners pardoned on parole conditions by the Governor and the Council yesterday, was released today. He was serving a 15 to 18-year centence for robbery.

In a message to the released men, Governor Curley urged them to

"recognize their duty to society" and to do it in the "real way, the honest way.

Morris Levine, Holyoke lifer, it was disclosed, will make his home with a sister in Burlington, Vt.

Samuel Powers, another lifer. said he had a promise from his sister, a Harlem hairdresser, to set him up in business in New York.

A third lifer, Wojeiech Birusz of Salem, is an alien and will be deported. The question of whether he would be allowed to enter Poland was raised by parole board officials, and if he isn't the Governor and Council would have to grant him a full pardon to insure deportation to the country where he was

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# BEST CHRISTMAS

# **NEEDY CARED** FOR AND GOOD WILL ABOUNDS

Business Shows Gains and Unfortunate Receive 'Season's Best'

JOY AT HOSPITALS

Carolers Spread Message Of Festive Season; Churches Filled

When carels and pealing church bells at midnight last night proclaimed the anniversary of the Nativity, there came to Worcester "the best Christmas the city has had in five years."

Such was the composite summary of merchants-a survey of whom revealed a general 10 per cent increase in business over Christmas 1934; and of welfare agencies, who reported that fewer than ever needy families were uncared for this year.

And today, for the centers of this holiday stage-the children-there will be more gaiety, more and better presents.

And in the hospitals, in the children's wards, there will be gaiety too as much as the little sufferers desire, for special parties have been planned in most of the insti-tutions, with Christmas trees, decorations, gifts and turkey ners.

WTAG will attend some of the parties. Last night at several hospitals, nurses or Girl Scouts sang carols in the corridors.

In the churches too, carols early In the churches too, carols early started the celebration of the holiday of joy. Many Protestant churches sent carolers through their parishes last night, among them the Lake View Congregational Church, the Pilgrim Congregational Church, Newton Square Baptist, Old South Pleasant street Baptist and the Epworth League of Wesley M. E. of Wesley M. E.

At midnight there were special masses in most Catholic Churches. Thousands of parents left their firesides, gay with Christmas tree and wreaths and stockings hung rows ,to attend the services. From formal and informal parties came the younger people.
In Swedish Protestant churches

the traditional Jul Otta services were scheduled for 5.30 this morning. Later in the day many Sunday schools will have their annual programs.

Episcopal churches of the city will observe Holy Communion this morning at several services.

Needy Are Remembered Christmas became a reality for many through welfare agencies. Hundreds of turkeys and baskets of foodstuffs were distributed. The Salvation Army alone distributed 300 baskets, the piece de desistance of each of which was a turkey.

Today many charitable agencies will serve dinners to the homeless and the family-less.

Meanwhile, the children of hundreds of needy families will be re-membered by the Young Men's Democratic Club. Some 1200 young sters from the Millbury street and Kelly square district will be guests of the club at the Rialto Theater. After an entertainment, all will receive gifts of candy and clothing.

In institutions there will be parties - at state hospitals, jails sanatoria. From state institutions Governor Curley yesterday par-doned men and women that they might spend the holiday with their families. Among them were three

who had committed murder. Most of the offenses, however, were minor.

In the marts of trade, bustling in a fashion reminiscent of 1929, according to many retailers, gains were sharp and varied.

#### Ahead of Easter

One shoe store manager reported, for example, that his Christmas business-and Christmas isn't ordinarily shoe-buying time, he interjected - had been far ahead of his Easter bueiness.

Tired clerks went home early last night, at 7 p. m., tired from a busy week despite the added force of clerks that had been hired for the holiday rush. Notably larger numbers of extra help were hired temporarily this year.

Many of these clerks went home last night with another tangible indication of better business crackling in their pockets - for Christmas bonuses were commoner and

Meanwhile, at the Norton Co., & tradition of many years standing was carried on. A crowd of three thousand employes formed in long lines at the company's plant, and the company's Christmas present to them. The birds' weights ranged from 10 to 20 pounds, depending on the size of the recipient's family.

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# WESTFIELD AND **HOLYOKE LIFERS** LEAVE PRISON

Both Happy to Gain Freedom; Each Will Be Given Assistance by Sister.

(Special to The Springfield Union) BOSTON, Dec. 24—Two women, one living in New York City and the other in Burlington, Vt., will come to the assistance of two State prison lifers who were given Christmas pardons by Gov. Curley and freed this afternoon. Both men were convicted of murdering their wives.

The two are Samuel Powers of Westfield and Morris Levine of Holyoke, the former having been committed in 1914 and the latter in 1928.

Levine will go to Burlington to

spend the rest of his life in the home of his sister, while Powers, a Negro will go to New York, where he will be aided by a sister. Levine, now 67 years of age, was pardoned because of his physical condition. He is suffering from a bad heart and kidney trouble. trouble.

"That is so," he remarked today "but I'm still able to do a good jol or painting and am sure that I can find plenty to do up in Burlington I lived there for about 15 years and will be overjoyed to get back there again.'

again."

Levine was high in his praises of the manner in which the Norfolk State Prison colony is conducted. He had been there for four months.

"They treat you so well and so much like you were worthy of consideration that you just couldn't go wrong again," he declared. "And I want to say that much of this is due to the manner in which the prison is conducted by Supt. Maurice Winslow and Deputy John O'Brien. There're wonderful men."

Fowers, 46 years old, was delighted

Fowers, 46 years old, was delighted with his opportunity of starting life

"Believe me it's going to be a happy Christmas Day for me," he remarked. Wojeiech Nirusz of Salem, the third lifer pardoned, after serving 15 years for the killing of Mary B. Lavoie, was not at the State House. He is an alien and must be deported to Poland. Five

other prisoners also were freed. Greeting the released prisoners Gov. Curley said:

"Christmas conveys to every right thinking person peace on earth to men of good will. The commonwealth

has exemplified its belief in that by granting a pardon to you men. On the eve of the birthday of Christ you are being returned to your families and your friends. How long you remain with them depends entirely upon you

"Obey the laws and you will be safe. If you violate the laws you must suffer the penalties. There is one thing I want you to remember, and that is

that the old law of compensation never sleeps, it always works. If you do good deeds you will be rewarded. If you do evil deeds you will never escape punishment.

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# **CURLEY ENCOURAGES** PARDONED PRISONERS

Six pardoned prisoners, two of them lifers, visited the State House yesterday noon, where Gov Curley spoke a word of encouragement to them. The seventh man released, also a lifer, was not in the group. Being an alien he will be deported to Poland.

The two life prisoners released are Samuel Powers of Springfield, who will go to his sister's home in New York, and Morris Levine of Holyoke, who will go to live with his sister in Burlington, Vt.

The other four prisoners released

yesterday were:
William Hooper of Lynn, sentenced
for manslaughter; Thomas J. Panetta of Cambridge, sentenced for man-slaughter; Joseph Zundowitch of Worcester, sentenced for stealing \$30; William G. Henry of Dorchester, sentenced for larceny of \$17,000.

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# DELICACIES, GIFTS IN / STATE INSTITUTIONS

The ill and unfortunate in institutions and hospitals of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, numbering about 35,000, will be remembered today by the state.

Tons of turkey; candy and delicacies will be provided, Christmas trees and appropriate decorations, also special gifts for those with no kin will be furnished in liberal quantities.

In many State House departments Christmas parties, the custom for years, were replaced by the preparation of remembrances for the needy. The employes devoted the special half-holiday granted them by the Governor to filling and distributing baskets.

A special Christmas message, written by Goy Curley, will appear on the programs of the patients of state hospitals and children in welfare institutions today.

At all, except penal institutions. turkey will be the feature of the Christmas dinner.

At State Prison the more than 900 inmates will have for their Christmas dinner roast pork, squash, potato, mince sie and coffee.

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# **LEGION GLEE CLUB** SERENADES CURLEY

Countess Elektra Rosanska, Cincinnati-born singer of Polish ancestry, and 25 members of the American Legion Glee Club, of which she is the coach, serenaded Gov Curley and members of his family at the Goveror's home on the Jamaicaway last nor's home on the Jamaicaway last other songs.

By special request of the Gover-nor the Countess sang "Silent Night" and comrade Thomas William Brown sang "Ol' Man River." Other solos were "Come, All Ye Faithful," sung by the Countess, and "Daddy Boy" by Comrade Luke O'Donnell. After the singing, the Governor in-

After the singing, the Governor invited the Glee Club into his house for refreshments. To each the Governor gave a silver dollar and his Christmas greetings.

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# **GREETING TO CURLEY** FROM FR COUGHL

Gov Curley received a letter of Christmas greeting from Rev Charles E. Coughlin, Michigan, radio priest, and a call from Archbishop Theodo-sios of the Syrian archdiocese in America, yesterday.

The Archbishop was accompanied by a delegation of Syrian Church officials and by Archpriest Basil M. Kirb 'ys of Brooklyn, who acted as interpreter.

Fr Coughlin's letter read: "My dear Gov Jim:

"May I intrude upon you for a moment to wish you and your loved ones a holy and happy Christmas.

"May the child Jesus bless you and love you now and forever. Cordially 

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  Morning

  9:20-WAAB—Greetings by King George V to his subjects throughout the British Empire; pealing of bells from Bethlehem; Christmas carols by the London carolers; services from the chapel of King's College at Cambridge (also WEED).

  10:05-WAAB—Lois Miller in an organ recital of Christmas music.

  11:30-WBZ—United States Army Band.

  AFTERNOON

  12:30-WBZ—"Story of Christmas," set to words and music, originating in Bethlehem and continuing from other cities in various parts of the world (also WEED).

  1:30-WBZ—Mistletoe Christmas; Cyril Pitts, tenor; Helen Bartush, soprano; Roy Shields' Orchestra.

  2:00-WEEL—Saint-Saens Christmas oratorio, chorus and symphony orchestra, directed by Cesare Sodero.

  2:00-WBZ—Lucrezia Bori, soprano; Cleveland Symphony Orchestra. Artur Rodzinsky conducting; Frank Black and his orchestra; John B. Kennedy, commentator; Milton J. Cross, master of ceremonies.

  2:00-WBZ—The Messiah," presented by the Akron Civic Chorus.

  3:00-WNAC—"The Messiah," presented by the Akron Civic Chorus.

  3:00-WBZ—"Babes in Toyland," Victor Herbert's musical comedy; Harold Sanford's Orchestra; Alma Kitchell, contralto; Ivy Scott and Muriel Wilson, sopranos; Fred Hufsmith, tenor; chorus.

  4:00-WEEL—Canada celebrates Christmas—a kaleidoscopic sound picture of Christmas in Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Greetings from Lord and Lady Tweedsmuir.

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  4:00-WAC—"The First Christmas," drama of the story of the Three Wise Men; traditional Christmas music by an orchestra and 20-voice choir from the Chicago Civic Opera Company.

  4:30-WBZ—"Musical Review of 1935," outstanding tunes of the past year; soloists, chorus of 12 mixed voices and orchestra.

  5:00-WNAC—"A Christmas Caral" (Dielscand Control or Carally (Dielscand Control or Carally (Dielscand Control or Carally (Dielscand Control or Carally (Dielscand Carally Chelscand Cara

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- 5:00-WNAC-"A Christmas Carol" (Dickens), starring Lionel Barrymore.
- 5:45-WHDH-"Christmas on Beacon Hill," dramatic sketch by the players of the Radio Theatre Guild.

#### EVENING

- 6:30-WNAC-Gov Curley speaking on social security.
- 8:00-WEEI-"Christmas Eve at the Barbour's," serial drama.
- 8:30-WNAC-George Burns and Gracie Allen, comedy team; Milton Watson, tenor, and Jacques Renard's Orchestra.
- 9:00-WEEI-Town Hall Tonight with Fred Allen, Portland Hoffa, the amateurs and Mighty Allen Art Players; Peter, van Steeden's Orchestra.
- 9:00-WNAC-Lily Pons, soprano, singing French Christmas carols of the 18th Century. Andre Kostelanetz orchestra and
- 9:00-WBZ-John Charles Thomas, baritone, in a special concert dedicated to the nation's children; Frank Tours' Orchestra.
- 9:30-WNAC-Ray Noble and his orchestra; Connie Boswell in popular songs.
- 10:00-WNAC-Sandy MacFarlane in Scotch ongs, accompanied by Charlie Frank's Orchestra, 100 0 100 ongs, accompanied by
- 10:30-WEEI-"Siegfried Idyl," dramatization of first performance of Wagner's composition by the Music Guild.

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# VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA PROVIDE DINNER FOR OLD FOLKS, CHRISTMAS FOOD FOR NEEDY



Gov Curley presents dollar bill to man at Volunteers' party. Mrs Nellie M. Duncan, wife of Col Duncan, at extreme left; Ex-Atty Gen Joseph E. Warner at extreme right.

25 Hanover st. furnished by the Volunteers of America. It was an "old folks' party" and almost everybody sitting down to the table was more than 70. One man was 89. Another, 80, was accompanied by his daughter,

Gov Curley was unable to arrive at the time appointed, but, when he asked permission by telephone to ar-rive 15 minutes late, the old people shouted their willingness to wait, and they gave him an ovation when he did get there. He opened the pro-ceedings with a short friendly speech, in which he gave the greetings of the State.

Joseph L. Hurley, State Auditor Thomas P. Buckley, P. A. O'Connell, Mrs Margaret O'Reardon. Ex-Atty Gen Joseph E. Warner, Richard E. Johnston, Judge Emil Fuchs, William H. Taylor, and other directors of the organization; Asa Minard, Canadian Club; Walter V. McCarthy, State Wel-Others present included Lieut Gov

Gov Curley, "toastmaster," yester-day afternoon gave out the first basket of good things, at a dinner at tessional Club, and Dr. Tokwi Heich fessional Club, and Dr Tehyi Hsieh, Chinese Trade Bureau.

The dinner consisted of "high tea," chicken, turkey, and ham sandwiches, cake, jam, jelly, and ice cream. A musical entertainment was furnished by a number of artists, headed by Mme Rose Zulalian. At the end of the tables were two large decorated Christmas trees, on which there were presents for the old people, chiefly gloves, mittens, scarves or shawls, handkerchiefs, pipes and tobacco. Each received a decorated basket containing candy, tea, jam, jelly, oranges, apples, bananas, milk, butter, and cake. Each was also given a \$1 bill

with which to get their Christmas

dinner, today.

Gov Curley distributed the first of several thousand Christmas baskets prepared this year by the Volunteers. Each basket contained a roast of beef, potatoes, tomatoes, turnips, spaghetti, sugar, beans, apple sauce, peaches, onions, rice, coffee and candy, in quantity enough to furnish three days' food for eight people.

Today the Volunteers will give a dinner to 250 unemployed men, with gifts of tobacco and cigars, donated by P. A. O'Connell. Another dinner will be enjoyed by mothers and their children at Theodosia House, with toys for the youngsters and a theatre party for the mothers.

Other Christmas activities include the distribution of toys, haskets and clothing to the families of prisoners, and a full-course dinner of roast pork

The entire program is under the direction of Col and Mrs Walter Duncan, while Mrs Mary MacNeill packed the baskets, assisted by Mrs Mary Sheehan and a committee of workers from patriotic societies.

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# **EVERETT SCENE** OF KILLER HUNT

# Guard's Pistol Recovered in Building There

## Given Cafe Man by Guarnelli-'Shoot to Kill' Order Issued

The search for the convict killers. Anthony Repucci and Edward Guarnelli, is now centered in Everett, where the men are known to have been late Monday night after they killed a prison guard to gain their freedom.

Recovery of the guard's pistol, from which Repucci is alleged to have fired the fatal shot, was made by Inspectors Edward J. Dunn and Thomas F. McEleney of the Everett police early yesterday and started the detectives on the hot trail that may lead to the convicts' capture.

Homes of the convicts and their friends in Everett were under guard and "Shoot to kill" orders were in effect because Guarnelli is reported to have told a friend in Everett that he would kill any policemen who tried to capture him.

#### Gloucester Tip

Another tip that Repucci and Guarnelli were at a "hideout" in Gloucester was investigated by Lieut Inspector Louis DiSessa and Detective John Marshall of the Boston police B. C. I.

Poolrooms and dining places in the west end of Gloucester were searched by Boston and Gloucester officers, but no clew found to the escaped con-

DiSessa led the Boston officers, including Marshall, Inspectors Robert E. Bowes and Hazen A. Chalmers and patrolmen James Collins, Herbert Grace and James McGann of the North-st Station. Capt Charles L. O'Maley headed the Gloucester detail.

A search was also made about the

boats of the fishing fleet.

The mysterious trip of Thomas V. Morrocco, acknowledged friend of the two convicts, from Everett to Cranston, R I, early yesterday morning was explained satisfactorily by Morrocco to Boston officers at Cranston.

It had been reported that Guarnelli | World War veteran and was decorattwice unsuccessfully attempted to contact Morrocco on Monday night.

Gov James M. Curley yesterday of-fered a reward of \$1000 on behalf of the Commonwealth for the apprehension of Repucci and Guarnelli and spurred the public to supplying "tips" as to the convicts' whereabouts.

Inspectors Dunn and McEleney were praised by Boston police for their work in locating the guard's gun and the weapon was identified by Sergt Seibolt as that used in the murder of prison guard Walter murder of prison guard Walter Doucette, who was slain by the convicts as they escaped on Commercial st, North End, just before 6 o'clock Monday night.

#### Guarnelli at Restaurant

Silvio Pace, 38, proprietor of the Lido Cafe at 153 Main st, Everett, told the officers that Guarnelli was in his restaurant about 7:30 Monday night and told him he had been "in a jam." He showed the guard's pistol to Pace. Guarnelli insisted Pace make a telephone call for him and Pace did so.

Then Pace argued him into giving up the pistol, telling them that he ought to be ashamed of himself for

ought to be assumed of himself for talking about shooting policemen who were only doing their duty.

He said that Guarnelli gave him the pistol to keep and said he would call for it yesterday. Pace told Abraham Itskovitch, 31, of 177 Main st, about the pistol and the latter concealed it in a yearnt building near concealed it in a vacant building near his home.

Dunn went into the West Everett section looking for Repucci and Guarnelli yesterday morning and en-countered Itzkovitch. He questioned him and the latter revealed the hid-ing place of the pistol. Boston officers talked to both Itz-

kovitch and Pace but neither was held.

The Everett police say that they believe the two convicts came here by El train and separated at Everett station, each one to seek out friends to help them individually.

#### Morrocco Questioned

Because they were suspicious of circumstances of the hasty departure of Thomas V. Morrocco, 35, of 201 Woodlawn st, Everett, from his home yesterday morning, Boston police questioned Morrocco at the Cranston, R I, police headquarters yesterday afternoon.

Morrocco, admitting friendship with the two convicts, said he had not seen or heard from the men since the shooting and gave what police said was an adequate explanation of what he did yesterday and why he went to Rhode Island.

Everett police said that they were informed that Guarnelli had twice attempted to contact Morrocco last night, once at an Everett night club and the other time at Morrocco's home, but had failed on both occa-

Morrocco told Sergts James V. Crowley and Thomas Conaty of the Boston police, who questioned him at Cranston, that he spent the day palling around with Charles Mc-Eachern, a Boston fireman. He said that they visited several places during the day and were in the company
of many friends. Morrocco is a

ed for bravery in France.

Morrocco said he decided to go to Cranston and spend the holiday with his brothers, Joseph and Daniel, about 11 last night when he and Mc-Eachern returned to his home. Morrocco said his wife had suggested that he do so. McEachern drove Morrocco to Cranston and, after a few hours' sleep, returned to Boston.

#### Knows Convicts Well

Repucci and Guarnelli are both, well known to Morrocco, He said that he had aided their families at times but had never given them money. Morrocco, a disabled veteran, said he had done some welfare work.

Morrocco is well known in Everett and was a candidate for the Common Council at one time.

He remained in Cranston after the questioning and the Boston officers went back to Boston and Everett for went back to Boston and Everett for a routine check of his story. Morroc-co was represented by Ex-Mayor Ed-ward M. Sullivan of Cranston during the questioning. He did not return to Everett, he said, because he was ill and feared an intensive grilling.

As a result of the murder of Wal-ter B. Dougette by one of the two

ter R. Doucette by one of the two prisoners, Repucci or Guarnelli, Arthur T. Lyman, commissioner of cor-rection ordered yesterday that hereafter two guards instead of one shall always accompany prisoners being taken from the state prison at Charlestown to courts. It has been the practice for 32 years to have prisoners on the way to court guarded by one officer but Monday night's shooting, according to Mr Lyman, shows that a revision of the plan is necessary,

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#### Coughlin Wishes Curley 'Holy, Happy Christmas'

The Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, radio priest, yesterday Gov. Curley and his family "a holy and happy Christmas,"

Fr. Coughlin's letter to the Governor follows:

"My dear Gov. Jim:

"My I intrude upon you for a moment to wish you and your loved ones a holy and happy Christmas.

"May the child Jesus bless you and love you now and forever. "Cordially yours,

CHARLES E. COUGHLIN."

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# **HUNT CONVICTS** AT GLOUCESTER

Slayers of Doucette Reported There Attempting To Leave Country

#### \$1000 REWARD SPURS SEARCH

Boston police last night went to Gloucester following a report that two escaped state prison convicts, Edward Guarnelli and Antonio Repucci, both of Everett, had sought refuge there. The convicts on Monday night killed Walter R. Doucette of 863 Columbia road, Dorchester, a state prison guard, who was taking them from Dedham superior court to the prison in Charlestown.

Lt. Joseph Di Sessa and Detective Joseph Marshall of the homicide squad, went to Gloucester, where it w ; believed that the convicts have been attempting to leave the country in a fishing vessel.

Sergt. Walter V. Crowley and Detective Thomas H. Connaty returned last night from Cranston, R. I., where they investigated a report that an Everett man who had gone to Rhode Island early Tuesday had been sought by one of the convicts in Everett an hour after the shooting.

#### \$1000 REWARD OFFERED

Gov. Curley late yesterday authorized a reward of \$1000 for the arrest of Guarnelli and Repucci, for whom murder warrants were issued yesterday by Judge Wilfred Bolster in municipal court. Dist.-Atty. William J. Foley said last night that he would ask the grand jury for murder indictments against the pair immediately.

The gun which was taken from Doucette by the convicts and which they turned on him with fatal effect was recovered in a pile of junk vesterday in Everett. After the finding of the gun, which is said to have been left in the beer parlor by Guarnelli, Abraham Itzkowitz of 177 Main street, Everett, and Silvio Pace,

owner of the restaurant on Main street, Everett, were taken to Boston police headquarters and questioned by Lt.-Inspector John McCarthy of the homicide squad and later re-

A special guard was placed last night around the home of M. Edward Viola, assistant district attorney of Norfolk county, who is said to have received threats from Repucci following his conviction with Guarnelli in Norfolk superior court of burglary in Brookline.

Doucette l.ad been assigned to take the convicts from state prison, where they were serving long terms for robbe y and burglary, to Dedham, where they had appealed their conviction and sentence of six months for the Brookline burglary Returning, Poucette hired a cab and with the two convicts drove along Atlantic avenue. Vhen the cab turned into Commercial street the convic' turned on Doucette, took his gun away and after shooting him threw him out. He died at the City Hospital shrotly after midnight Tuesday. He leaves a widow and six children, Virginia, 4; Julia, 6; Walter, 8; John, 14; May, 17, and Marguerite, 18. The funeral for Doucette, who was 43 years old, will probably be held tomorrow.

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# DEMAND CURLEY REMOVE GOODWIN

Haverhill Shoe Workers Attack Registrar

HAVERHILL, Dec. 24-A committee of shoe workers here sent a telegram today to Gov. Curley demanding the removal from office of Registrar Frank A. Goodwin because of his alleged intervention in local industrial affairs and "the misuse of his present high public

Goodwin, in speaking at a mass meeting of shoe operatives here Monday night, classed the Boot & Shoe Workers' Union of the A. F. of L. as a union not of workers but a union of manufacturers. His appearance complicated the labor situation here, in which the Boot and Shoe Workers claim that almost every operator has signed a Boot and Shoe Workers application and officials of the United Shoe & Leather Workers' Union, with which operatives here have hitherto been affiliated, maintain that reports of defections from their ranks are being exaggerated.

The telegram sent to the Governor charges the registrar with assailing the American trade union movement and to have, by his actions, seriously threatened the industrial peace and industrial stability of the city. It is signed by a committee including Blanche R. Smith, Hugh J. Kelleher and Clarence P.

Tracy.

As an aftermath of the above action, George Douglas, an organizer for the Haverhill office of A. F. of L. Boot & Shoe Workers Union, today announced the receipt of petitions from the employes of five of the largest wood heel manufacturing firms in the local industry asking membership in the root and shoe organization.

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# PRISON FREES SIX ON PARDON

Seventh Man Remains in Cell with Prospect of Deportation

#### CURLEY GIVES ALL WARNING ON CRIME

Six of the seven state prison inmates pardoned Monday by Gov. Curley and the executive council were released yesterday noon, while the seventh, an alien, remained behind, confronted with the prospect of being deported to his native land when freed.

The men released were Samuel Powers of Springfield and Morris Levine of Holyoke, lifers, and William Hooper of Lynn, Thomas J. Panetta of Cambridge, Joseph Zinkowitch of Worcester and William G. Henry of Dorchester

Wojeiech Birusz of Salem, the third lifer to be pardoned, remained behind pending arrangements for his deportation to Poland. In the event his native land declines to receive him it will be necessary for the Governor and council to grant him a full pardon instead of a pardon under parole conditions. With a full pardon he would be eligible to return to his native land.

Powers, 46-year-old Negro who has served 21 years for murder, expressed delight with the opportunity offered him to begin life anew. His sister, who operates a beauty parlor in the Harlem section of New York, has offered to set him up in business and he left by train for New York early in the afternoon.

The six men were greeted by Gov. Curley in the executive chamber after they had been released by the state board of parole. He admonished them to obey the laws.

In greeting the paroled men he said:

"Christmas conveys to every right thinking person 'Peace on earth to men of good will.' The commonwealth has exemplified its belief in that by granting pardons to you men. On the eve of the birthday of Christ you are being returned to your families and your friends. How long you remain with them depends entirely upon yourselves.

"Obey the laws and you will be safe. If you violate the laws you must suffer the penalties. There is one thing I want you to remember and that is that the old law of compensation never sleeps, it always works. If you do good deeds you will be rewarded. If you do evil deeds you will never escape punishment.

"It is entirely up to you to recognize your duty to society. Do it the real way, the honest way, the Christian way. Remember your obligation to all others. May God guide you so that you will conduct yourselves as ornaments to society rather than otherwise."

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YULETIDE AT STATE HOUSE

A striking holiday wreath, a bit of clever photography by a Traveler camera man, Leslie Jones, and the dome of the State House and we have the spirit of Christmas atop Beacon Hill and an odd view. The camera was focused upward from the ground, through an archway, in the centre of which is the wreath. At first glance, it appears as if the cupola of the state capitol had sprouted a huge floral display.

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# Joy and Charity Joined in N. E. Christmas Celebration; Old World Observes Day Under Darkening War Clouds

Thousands Return Home To Mark Holiday at Family Firesides

#### NEEDY AND SICK ASSURED OF CHEER

The warmth and simplicity of the story of Bethlehem again found its way into the hearts of all New Englanders last night. The overpowering influence of Christmas manifested itself in one great homecom-

The big parade along forest trails from 150 New England CCC camps brought 14,000 boys back to their parents last night. Fishermen hurried in from the wintry sea to join their family firesides. Students overflowed both train terminals in the process of either coming or going

And the joyous charity of the season found its way into the homes of the poor, into hospitals, prisons and lighthouses. It brought food and fuel to the impoverished and comfort to the isolated.

#### SANTA CLAUS REMEMBERS

In every Greater Boston institution last night it was a foregone conclusion that Santa Claus would remember every child, an . the doors of public charities were thrown open at nightfall that thousands of men and women might not see Christmas in gloom and depression.

At 91 lighthouses along the New England coast, wildly excited children, coatless woman and grizzled veterans of the sea ran out in nearzero weather to wave a welcome to Capt. William H. Wincapaw as he swooped down in his big cabin plane to drop a Yuletide bundle.

Within the city, thousands of persons received practical cheer from charitable organizations. At the charitable organizations. Volunteers of America headquarters in Scollay square, 10,000 baskets. each containing food sufficient for eight persons for three days, were

of age. Besides a personal each received \$1 for a Christn.a dinner today. For the men there were tobacco and cigars donat a by P. A. O'Connell. Gov. Curley and Lt.-Gov. Hurley attended the party.

At midnight the Crosscup-Pishon post of the American Legion had concluded its 11th annual Christmas basket distribution, which carried into more than 800 families of needy veterans approxi...ately 3500 bags of food, toys, games and clothing.

#### 4500 RECEIVE FOOD

In the past three nights of basket distribution, it was estimated by officials that more than 4500 persons were benefited by the charity.

The huge tonnage of food that makes an important part of the distribution was acknowledged by H. Lyman Armes, commander of the post. A chain store gave three tons of potatoes, another gave 1000 loaves of bread, 1000 pounds of coffee and 1000 dozens of doughnuts, he said.

At the Boston Industrial Home at 17 Davis street, a Christmas party was given last night for 200 homeless men and women, at which gifts were distributed by former Mayor Malcolm E. Nichols. A similar number will be guests of the home at dinner today.

The police department also assumed the roles of blue-coated Santa Clauses, much to the delight of young residents of Roxbury. Patrolmen at the Dudley street station yesterday afternoon distributed re-conditioned toys to 150 children in the district.

Police Commissioner McSweeney attended the party at the station house and helped serve ice cream and cake to the children after the toys were distributed.

The municipal Christmas tree on the Common was lighted at 5:30 P. M. yesterday by Mayor Mansfield, marking the start of the city's official celebration of the holidays. Afterward, the mayor delivered his Christmas greetings to the citizens of Boston from the Parkman band-

Carol singing, Christmas tableaux and other entertainment continued at the bandstand and at the Frog pond until midnight.

As usual, Christmas charity entered Boston's hospitals, bringing toys and entertainment to hundreds

The Volunteers also conducted a of children. More than 1000 jig-saw Christmas party yesterday for 300 puzzles will be distributed among men and women, all over 70 years patients of the Children's Hospital this morning as a gift from Walter E. Seaver, managing director of the Hotel Lenox.

Peter F. Tague, acting postmaster, late yesterday distributed checks and candy to charwomen and telephone operators employed at the federal building. The presentation was made in his office, and everyone received a two-pound box of candy.

The commonwealth will be more generous today with those in its hospitals than with its prison in-mates. Turkey and all the fixings will be served in all institutions, except in prisons, where roast pork will be the principal dish.

Even the horse fared well in the Boston observance of Christmas. Because horses have been so exisively displaced by notor trucks in Boston, the Massachusetts Sofor the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals abandoned its custom of erecting a Christmas tree for Dobin in Post Office square.

Instead, a three horse hitch distributed a load of apples, carrots and other equine delicacies. The society's annual Christmas party is ir tended to impress upon the public its slogan, "Be Kind to Animals."

Countless parties were conducted in private homes throughout Greater Boston last night. As usual, Mr. and Mrs. Larz Anderson gave their annual Christmas party to the employes on their estate, Weld, at Avon street and Goddard avenue, Brookline.

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# CAROLS HERALD CHRISTMAS DAY

# 75,000 Hear Singers as They Tour Beacon Hill in Traditional Manner to Welcome Great Day

#### GATHERING ORDERLY FOR CAROL SINGING

Not only was the Christmas gathering on Beacon Hill the largest in recent years, but it was also the most orderly, in the opinion of police officials. Not once did any trace of the "hoodlumism" complained of in the past few years make its appearance although one merry group formed into a snake dance and sang popular songs for a time. However, this was passed over good-naturedly by the carol singers.

Voices chorusing in joyous anthem resounded from Beacon Hill last night as a gay throng of 75,000, the greatest in recent years, gathered to herald again the Saviour's birth.

Fair young ladies, tilting their chins to the stars, poured forth their song. Young men and old, muffled in greatcoats, lent volume and made the night ring with the glad refrain. Wintry weather pinched the cheeks of all and whitened their exhaling breath.

Candles, framed in holly, flickered in every window, but in Louisburg square, the press of the happy throng was greatest, the spirit gayest, the lights brightest and the chorus loudest.

Although the throngs were late in arriving, at midnight they far exceeded those of recent years. Mt. Vernon street, Pinckney street, Chestnut street, West Cedar street and the other streets in the immediate locality were filled with the vast crowd which overflowed the sidewalks and preempted the trafmen took up posts on the hill, shutting off traffic from many of the main streets and allowing cars to pass on other streets when gaps showed con-veniently as the crowds moved to and

In each doorway of the quadrangle Louisburg square, the caroling crowds assembled. Hundreds of different groups from various church and social organizations gathered to lift their voices in praise of the Holy In-

the surging mass moved in opposite directions,

Swinging their arms against their chestes to warm their frozen, hands, dancing on the coblestones to restore life to their numbed feet, the carolers kept up their song.

Bell ringers moved through the district and the crowds broke before them, making their march as if one of tri-umph. Cornet players made the tempo and carried the strain for the caroling groups.

Nearly all of the homes on Beacon Hill were thrown open to the carolers, and in each there was a gay scene as groups gathered to sip hot coffee and nibble sweet cakes.

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Other groups, numerically large, were the Old Cambridge Baptist Church carolers, led by the Rev. Newton C. Fetter, the Garrison Madrigalselschaft Singers, the Boston Federation of the Young People's Religious Union, the Emmanuel Club, led by Ernest Hardy and containing 150 carolers, the Bur-literally alive with various colored and containing 150 carolers, the Burlierally alive with various colored coughs Newsboys' Foundation group, lights. From every window electrical led by Paul Jones and carrying a harmonica accompaniment, the traditional lights in wreaths, illuminated crucifixes group led by Dr. Richard Cabot, out-standing surgeon, and the group made up of residents of Beacon Hill.

#### At Guild House

At the home of Courtney Guild, 26 Mount Vernon street, one of the largest open house parties was being held. The home, with candles flickering and tiny electric lights burning at the windows, made a decorative scene.

In two of the windows tiny shrines had been set up, and these attracted the attention of the passing throngs. One of the shrines had for a background an old, snow-covered New Engand church.

Shrines, too, appeared in hundreds of other windows, surrounded by tiny electric lights and the figures of kneeling

#### Colored Lights Twinkle

#### Homes and Lawns Decorated With Electrical Displays as Never Before-Fenway and Dorchester Have Notable Illuminations

Never in the history of the city have so many houses borne electrical displays at Christmas. From various high spots in Boston, a myriad of multicolored lights twinkled like tiny stars last night giving the feeling of deep friendship and exuding all the goodwill and welcome which prevails at Yuletide.

It was a far cry from the day when single candles were placed on window sills to observe Dec. 25. Last night, Sometimes the song they sang was sills to observe Dec. 25. Last night, Sometimes the same, and it swelled towards the most every sill bore the modern electrical display of half a dozen or more heavens in one great chorus. Then the heavens in one great chorus. Then they would display of half a dozen or more lights, which sent their soft glow out again, different groups at the corners lights, which sent their soft glow out again, different groups at the corners lights, which sent their soft glow out again, different groups at the corners lights, which sent their soft glow out again, different groups at the corners lights, which sent their soft glow out again, different groups at the corners lights. silently preaching peace on earth, good will toward men.

Thousands of motorists spent a goodly part of the evening driving slowly through various parts of the city ad-miring the electrical displays, which went from window lights to elaborate lighting of hedges, brushes and shrub-bery on lawns. It seemed that through ingenious lighting arrangements, the finest Christmas spirit could be played, and a tour of Greater Boston would convince any doubter that the displays were certainly clever lavish.

Scores of home-owners criss-crossed the front of their houses with the tiny bulbs of a variety of colors-blue, green, yellow and white. The soft 

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#### CAROLS IN CHURCHES

#### Depict Scene of Nativity in King's Chapel and All Downtown Episcopal Churches-Sermons Tell of the First Christmas Day

Carols, depicting the scene of the nativity, were sung in King's Chapel and all the downtown Episcopalian churches last night at special services arranged to usher in Christmas Day. Thousands jammed the churches and sermons were appropriate preached

about the first Christmas Day.
Carols were sung at the Cathedral
Church of St. Paul by the full choir of 40 men and women and a communion service was held to usher in the holy day. Canon Cornelius P. Trowbridge pleached the sermon, calling particular attention to the need of peace and goodwill among the nations of the world as among individuals.

At Trinity Church the men's choir rendered a select group of carole, and there was a brief message by the fecthe Rev. Arthur Lee Kinsolving, tor, the Rev. Arthur Dee Christmas D. D. This service followed a Christmas children earlier in tree party for the children earlier in the evening, when gifts were distributed.

A solemn evensong was celebrated at the Church of the Advent, during which a procession added color to the service.

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The choir also chanted the Te Deum, and the sermon was preached by the rector, the Rev. Benjamin I. Harrison.
Carols were sung at the Church of St. John the Evangelist at 8 o'clock, and a special service of carols was also held at King's Chapel. Similiar services were also held in many of the outlying Episcopalian churches and services will also be held today.

Two of the outstanding services this morning will be held at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, where the Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, D. D. will deliver the sermon. The other will be at Christ Church (The Old North) on Salem street, North End, where the Rt. Rev. Samuel G. Babcock, D. D., suffragan bishop of the diocese will

Services of holy communion will be elebrated early this morning in all celebrated early of the Epscopal churches and a special Christmas sermon will be delivered at Trinity Church, Copley square, by Dr.

#### HAPPINESS PREVAILS

#### Spirit of Christmas Makes Itself Felt Everywhere in Greater Boston-Plans Complete for Helping Needy Ones Enjoy the Day

Everywhere in Greater Boston the spirit of Christmas prevailed as hun-dreds of thousands of people put the finishing touches to their plans the greatest day of the year. At the same time, a variety of institutions, including hospitals, orphanages, relief agencies and charitable organizations completed their plans for caring for the needy and the friendless.

It was apparent that no one in Greater Boston, at least, and probably no one in New England, need go without a Christmas dinner today. Resout a Christmas dinner today. Res-taurants and other business groups, charitable agencies such as the Salavation Army and Volunteers of America, and scores of other agencies, were prepared to open wide their portals to all who are in need of food, shelter or companionship.

Officially, the celebration, as far as the city was concerned, opened last night with the lighting of the Christmas tree on Boston Common by Mayor Mansfield. A lengthy programme including music, song and a Christmas tableau entitled "The Nativity."

Churches throughout the Greater Boston area were thronged with worship-pers at midnight, and will be thronged again this morning as special Christ-mas services are held.

Although the real observance of Christmas Eve and the observance today of the great day is in the thousands of homes, where families will gather by hearthsides to renew their loyalty and affection, the public observance takes the form of charity toward the needy. And never before was this spirit more inspiringly obreal observance was this spirit more inspiringly ob-served that it was last night and never has it promised so much as it does today.

#### Gifts and Dinners .

The Salvation Army, for many years The Salvation Army, for many years among the leaders of organizations lending a helping hand, started yesterday the distribution of well-filled baskets to 2100 needy families. These were sent out from a number of key points in the city. This noon, the same organization will serve a Christmas dinner to 75 children at the Settlement and Day Nursery, 17 Staniford street, West End. End.

To 300 old persons the Volunteers of America gave out Christmas baskets, the first ones being handed over by Governor Curley. The same organization gave a dinner for 200 unemployed men, to whom P. A. O'Connell, well known merchant, gave individual gifts, Other organizations which gave gifts to the needy included the St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Catholic Charitable Bureau, Morgan Memorial, the Boston Urban League, Girl and Boy Scouts, Knights of Columbus councils, lodges of Elks, Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, and the various veterans organizations. the first ones being handed over by veterans organizations.

#### Custom House Fete

In the shipping and market districts, the Christmas spirit was manifest on every side, as part of the joyous cele-bration of the great holiday.

The historic corridors of the Custom House, whose main building was erect-House, whose main building was erected nearly a century ago, resounded to the strains of familiar Christmas carols for the first time, as a group of men and women workers in the customs force, led by Joseph J. Curran as master of cremonies, serenaded the

offices on each floor. Later, from the balcony overlooking the main floor auditorium, a WPA chorus of 40 voices, directed by William Ellis Weston, and Willard K. Hamilton of Milton Post, Sons of American Legion, with cornet solos, continued the musical pro-

Collector of Customs Joseph A. Mayonector of Customs Joseph A. May-nard, who arranged and directed the celebration, said that it was fitting to celebrate the return of better times. Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, invited by Collector Maynard to deliver an address on "The Spirit of Christ-mas," said it was time for all Americans to consecrate themselves anew to better things, so that an episode such as the enforced departure of the Lindbergh family, because of lack of pro-tection against threats, might never be witnessed in this country again.

#### Get Yuletide Bonus

Putting aside business for the time being, a group of members of the Boston Fruit and Produce Exchange made merry on the trade floor yesterday afternoon. Set up in the centre of the floor was a 15-foot Christmas tree, beautifully decorated and laden gifts. Under the direction of A. Russell Ellis as chairman, a programme of en-tertainment was put on. The members were summonded by a trumpeter, who passed up and down the corridors. Following a rendition of carols, Miss Portia DiGiorgio, a gifted singer, rendered several songs and then led the assem-blage in "Silent Night."

Chris mas cheer was dispensed to his staff by George H. White, general agent in New England for the Mooremack-Gulf Lines, in the shape of a

bonus amounting to half a month's salary for all those in the company's

employ a year or more.

Christmas will be celebrated today ashore and on the seas by the hardy group of men who carry on the nation's group of men who carry on the stalwart commerce and fisheries, the stalwart guardians of shipping, the Coast Guard, and the men and women who maintain their lonely vigils at the lighthouses and aboard lightships along the coastline. For many of them it will be just another day, for their duties go on the same as yesterday and tomorrow, there will be a note of Christmas cheer They will receive and give presents, and enjoy bountiful dinners.

#### Coast Guardsmen on Duty

For the Coast Guardsmen today will be no holiday, because stern necessity calls for maintenance of the patrols along the coast, by air as well as water, to enforce the revenue laws, and to be ready to respond immediately to any call for assistance. Not a single one of the patrol fleet will be in port in this division today. Yet, insofar as possible, each boat will have its own Christmas observance, especially a fine dinner.
Christmas will be merry and gay

down at Boston Light, where Keeper Maurice Babcock, and his assistants, with their families, numbering 17 children, will have a real celebration, cluding trees, gifts for the youngsters and turkey dinners. At the other lights and the lighthouses despite duties to be carried on, as on any other day, there will be a happy observance of the holi-

Uncle Sam will play host to a group of 50 men and women, including 20 Chinese, who are detained at the Immigration station in East Boston, most of them awaiting deportation to their native lands. There will be a bang-up dinner of turkey and all the fixin's, prepared by Caterer John Piscopo, and his corps of chefs, a Christmas tree with gifts for every person, and an ex-tra package for each from Miss Mary H. Ward, commissioner of immigration. The day's festivities will end up with a concert and movie show in the evening.

For several score seamen, far from their native heaths, the various sea-men's organizations will have a dinner today, and entertainment at night, to bring some of the day's happiness to the lives of the wanderers. The Sea-men's Baptist Bethel last night dis-The Seamen's Baptist Bethel last night dis-tributed 125 ditty bags, and at the Mariners' House, 132 were given out. Each bag contains 14 articles, including mittens, suspenders, shaving acces-sories, etc. At the latter place, all accredited seamen will be fed this moon, and tonight will be served ice cream, cake, coffee and doughnuts, after which

an entertainment will be provided.

And so, around the circle, in every phase of marine activity. Christmas will be dispensed with a free hand to the men who carry on day by day, afloat and ashore, the country's vital commerce and fisheries commerce and fisheries.

A bleak northwest wind made Boston Common such an uncomfortable spot last night that less than 100 persons were present when the city's official programme was ushered in at the Parkman bandstand at 5:30 o'clock.

Park Commissioner William P. Long, in the absence of Mayor Mansfield, delivered the chief address, after city's Christmas tree was lighted. Seventy feet high, with more than 700 trees used to construct it, the official Christ-mas tree was a brilliantly-illuminated cone-like structure

Director of Public Celebrations Arthur O'Keefe introduced Joseph A. chairman of the committee, who spoke briefly, when a Christmas message to the people of the community was broadcast,

#### Fountain Illuminated

From 6:30 to 8 o'clock last night the Freg Pond fountain was illuminated. The frigid weather, however, kept the spectators from gathering.

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WITH CAROLS AND BRIGHT SMILES THEY GREETED THE COMING OF ANOTMAS

A scene along Mt. Vernon street on Beacon Hill last night as hundreds of carol singers greated the coming of anothay in the traditional manner. When this picture was made five groups of the carol singers had gathered near the Boston Universiteology as they moved over the historic streets.

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# GOVERNOR GIVES FIRST BASKET



Left to right, Colonel Nellie M. Duncan of the Volunteers of America, Alfrew Lefleur, who got the first Volunteers' basket of food and \$1 from Governor Curley; the Governor, William H. Taylor and former Attorney-General Joseph E. Warner.

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# **QUIET YULETIDE** FOR GOVERNOR

Spending Day With Family at the Jamaicaway

Governor Curley will spend most of his Christmas Day at his home at 350 Jamaicaway surrounded by his children. A visit to the grave of Mrs. Curley in Calvary Cemetery will be made during the day. The Christmas dinner will be served at 1:30. Mr. and

Mrs. Edward C. Donnelly and members of the Donnelly family will sit down with the Governor and his four sons—Paul, Leo, George and Francis.

Aside from his regular Wednesday radio broadcast at 6:30 p. m., the Governor planned no public or official oppearances during the day.

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040000000000 KILLER IS TRACED TO R. I. CITY

Guarnelli Asked a Friend for Money and Clothes

GAVE MURDER GUN TO EVERETT MAN

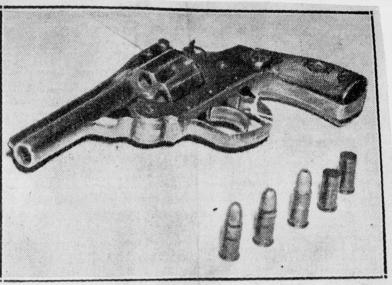
All Trace of Convict Repucci Lost Despite Army of Sleuths

BY LESTER ALLEN

Eluding the search of police of a half dozen cities of Metropolitan Boston, Edward Guarnelli, 26, and Antonio Repucci, 25, State prison convicts who killed their guard, Walter R. Doucette, in a taxicab and made their escape, have separated and escaped the condon, police believed last night, as they worked on the cold trail of Guarnelli, the actual slayer, in Rhode Island.

As hundreds of police officers in Chelsea, Revere, Everett, Boston, Somerville and Cambridge watched every known acquaintance of the two house breakers, two girls living in East Boston who had visited and written to the men, were under particular surveillance.

At the same time one of the strangest death toasts ever drunk at Christmastide was disclosed by an Everett bartender who gave Guarnelli a stiff slug of whiskey only an hour after the fleeing convict had killed



GUN USED IN SLAYING

This is the revolver which convicts wrested from Walter Doucette, State prison officer, and was used by them to kill him. Note the discharged shells and the three unused cartridges.

Doucette, and was astounded to hear

Doucette, and was assounded to near the convicted burglar say, "Here's to the mug I just killed."

Silvio Pace, 38, manager of the Lido Cafe at 165 Main street, Everett, told police an amazing story of Guarnelli's separation from Repucci, and of how he cached the death weapon, Guard Doucette's own gun.

While detectives of Boston and Everett combed the Metropolitan area for Repucci, the search for Guarnelli was centered at Cransion, R. I., where Antonio Morrocco of Everett, the man to whom Guarnelli appealed for funds and a change of clothes, was being de-

and a change of clothes, was being detained by Cranston police for questioning at the request of Deputy Superintendent James R. Claflin of Boston.

Police also questioned Charles Mc-Bachern, a Boston fireman, attached to the Bowdoin Square station, at his home on Sydney street, Medford, concerning an automobile trim. Mrs. nome on Sydney street, Medicia, con-cerning an automobile trip Mrs. Morrocco informed police her husband took with McEachern late Monday night. Fire Commissioner Edward J. McLaughlin announced last night that he would probe the matter.

#### Bartender's Story

Pace's story of Guarnelli's cold-blooded toast to his victim, whom he shot in a taxicab while Guard Doucette was taking the two convicts from Dedham Court to the State prison, is one of the strangest stories of chance favoring the escape of widely-sought slay-

"He came into my place about ? o'clock," said Pace. "I knew Guarnelli because he used to live around here. because he used to live around here. I was surprised to see him because I knew he was doing a 10-year bit in State prison. He beckened to me and I went over to the end of the bar. "flisten," he said to me. 'I just bumped off the screw and got away. I got to find Morrocco. Give me a slug of whichey."

of whiskey.

"I was so surprised that I couldn't figure it out. I gave him the drink. He acted as if he had taken plenty to drink. His eyes were all bloodshot. to drink. His eyes were all bloodshot. He lifted up the glass and said, 'Well, here's to the mugg I just killed.' He said it loud, but the other customers in the place didn't hear it. Then he said that if a cop came into the place he would bump him off, too. One more didn't make any difference, he told me. I said to him, 'For God's sake don't be a fool. You got away. What more do you want?' He said he told me. I said to him, 'For God's sake don't be a fool. You got away. What more do you want?' He said he had to get in touch with Morrocco.
"I talked to him about using the gun. I said that it wouldn't get him anything, and I asked him why he



ABRAHAM ITZKOWITZ

Everett WPA worker who took and hid the murder gun which Guarnelli had left with an Everett bartender.

#### Police Experts Identify Gun That Killed Guard

Working in the police crime laboratory last night, Ballistics Expert Edward J. Seibolt of the Boston police matched the bullet that killed Guard Doucette with the gun found by police hidden in Everett, and idensified it as the murder weapon.

came to my place. He said he came because Morrocco used to come to the

place. "I wanted to get the gun away from him. He kept his hand on it in his pocket. Finally he said he wanted me to take care of the gun. He took another drink and then he asked me to call up Morrocco for him. I telephoned to the Hamilton Club for him but Mor-rocco wasn't there. Then he said he would go down to Morrocco's house."

#### Gave Gun to Bartender

Guarnelli left the cafe about 7:15 Monday night after having been in the place 15 minutes. He did not take the murder weapon with him, but left it in Pace's care. Pace stated he took the gun home with him Monday night and yesterday morning took it back to the cafe with him.

After he read the morning papers, he said, he realized that it was a murder and he then gave the gun to Abraham Itzkowitz, an Everett WPA employee. He told Itzkowitz to get rid of the gun. Itzkowitz took the gun and hid it. Inspector Edward J. Dunn of the Everett police learned of the fact that Guarnelli had been seen drinking in the Everett cafe yesterday morning, and when he questioned Pace learned of the hiding of the gun. Pace and Itzkowitz were detained by police for several hours, but they were later released at North End station after they had provided police with a definite clue on which to work.

#### Called at Morrocco's Home

Detectives Hazen Chalmers and Robert Bowes of the North End station, who secured warrants charging the two escaped convicts with murder, joined the hunt with 40 police officers in Everett. It was learned at the home of Morrocco that Mrs. Morrocco and her daughter had answered the door when Guarnelli appeared seeking Morrocco. They stated to the police that Guaranelli went away when he was told Morrocco was not at home.

Police then learned that Morrocco made a midnight trip to Cranston, R. I., in an automobile to visit a brother. It was stated to police that a family quarrel preceded his departure for Rhode Island. As a result of this information Charles McEachern, a Boston fireman, was interrogated by police. He stated that he had been with Morrocco, police

said.

McEachern, who is attached to the Bowdoin square fire station as a member of the crew of Engine 6, has an address at 7 Phipps street, Charlestown, but his family lives in Medford.

Deputy Superintendent Claffin sent Sergeant James V. Crowley and Sergeant Thomas Conaty of headquarters detective bureau to Cranston to question Morrocco after Cranston police had located the man.

#### No Trace of Repucci

Boston police, with police departments of other Metropolitan cities, had been unable up to an early hour this morning, to find a trace of the second escaped convict, although Lieutenant Louis Di Sessa and Detective Joseph Marceau of headquarters were sent to Gloucester to check on relatives of Reucci who lives in the Italian fishing colony.

It is believed that Repucci, within two hours after the guard had been killed on Commercial street, North End, was equipped by underworld acquaintances with money and a change of clothes, and was on his way out of Boston past the rapidly forming cordon of police.

Every person who has visited the two men at State Prison, or who has written or received a letter from them since they began to serve their 10 to 12-year term for breaking and entering had their homes under surveillance by a their homes under surveillance by a

24 hour a day police watch last night. Two girls who had written and received intimate letters from the convicts and both of whom had visited the prison, were being shadowed in East Boston, and five men were constantly under the eyes of a plain clothes detail in Everett.

#### Reward Spurs Search

Police surrounded the home of Mrs. Asunta Repucci at 53 Allen street, West End, last night, in search of one of the escaped slayers, but could find no trace of the men.

The police search, spurred by a \$1000 reward offered by Governor Curley, developed and eliminated clues to the winereabouts of the men so rapidly that all sorts of wild rumors were afloat. A clue in Framingham, where a lunch-wagon man stated he saw the two men together, and a clue in Watertown, where two men tried to buy tickets on a bus for Saybrook, Conn., were developed and eliminated so fast that three separate police departments made investigations of the same clues.

#### Plan Changes in Moving Convicts

As Arthur T. Lyman, commissioner of corrections, probed the case he announced that hereafter the use of trains, taxis and other public conveyances would be rigidly supervised, and that an adequate number of guards would be sent along to supervise the convicts and prevent their escape or a fatal attack upon the guards. Monday night's escape was evidently carefully planned.

fully planned.

Frank B. Reardon of 10 Rosario street, Dorchester, driver of the cab, declared last night that the men began the fight with Doucette at State street, and that he asked Doucette if he wanted him to stop and get help, but that Doucette said, "No, no, keep on

and that he asked Doubtete it he wanted him to stop and get help, but that Doubette said, "No, no, keep on going, I'll take care of them."

In the future, according to the instruction of Commission Lyman, one guard will be handcuffed to the prisoner, while the other will be free to use both hands. Commissioner Lyman expressed an opinion that it was an error on the part of Doubette, the slain guard, to have handcuffed himself to the prisoners.

#### Homes Guarded

The home of assistant District Attorney M. Edward Viola at 44 High street, Everett, was being guarded by Everett police last night because of a threat made by the two men when they were on trial in Middlesex court. Several apartment house occupants appealed to the police for protection last night, and patrolmen were stationed at several apartment houses to frustrate any attempt that either man might make to get clothes and money in the event that one or both of them is still hiding in Everett.

But over at the Doucette home on Columbia road, the tragic "error" was plainly written in the Christmas tree forgotten on the back porch, the drawn shades, the tear-stained faces of Doucette's six children, three of whom are ill in bed with grippe, and the agony written on the features of Mrs. Mary Doucette, the 40-year-old widow of the prison guard.

As yet no provision has been made by State authorities for their future. The tinsel decorations for Christmas have been taken down. Crepe is going up in its place.

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to their posts.

# LEGION GLEE CLUB SERENADES GOVERNOR

Governor Curley, his family and a number of friends who were visiting the Jamaicaway mansion of the chief executive, were entertained by the American Legion Glee Club, under the direction of Madame Electria Rosanska last night. The songsters stood on the lawn outside the Curley home and rendered Christmas carols, their sweet voices doing justice to the beautiful Yuletide hymns.

Yuletide hymns.

When they finished serenading members of the household, Governor Curley, invited them inside for refreshments, and then presented each member of the group with a silver dollar.

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# ASK GOODWIN / BE FORCED OUT

#### Haverhill Shoe Workers Charge Misuse of Office

HAVERHILL, Dec. 24—A shoe workers' committee today wired Governor Curley demanding he request the resignation of Registrar of Motor Vehicles Frank A. Goodwin.

The Brockton Brotherhood of Shoe and Allied Craftsmen opened offices here in an attempt to form a unit of its union and the Boot & Shoe Union laid further claims of control over this shoe centre with the announcement that five of the largest wood heel plants had signed with its organization as Haverhill entered the fourth week of an interest signs fight for control.

rer-union fight for control.

Registrar Goodwin was charged with misuse of a high public office in that he has appeared in Haverhill speaking on behalf of the Brockton Brotherhood while receiving a salary from the State. His activities here, the telegram stated, have seriously threatened the industrial peace and industrial stability of the

The telegram was signed by Blanche R. Smith, 60 Franklin street; Hugh J. Kelleher, 58 Webster street, and Clarence P. Tracy, 11 Proctor street,

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# 000000000000 LIBERTY LEAGUE'S **STRATEGY**

# Use of Ex-Gov. Smith Not Apt to Affect Roosevelt

#### BY ROBERT L. NORTON

Of course, the American Liberty League plays its biggest card when former Governor Smith is put out in front. The men financially behind. the league, like DuPont and Raskob, for instance, exert a limited influence upon public opinion. They are more potent in big business or sitting around the table of a board of directors.

#### CAN ONLY AID G. O. P.

Neither is the opinion of their large group of voluntary lawyers as to the constitutionality of the New Deal very impressive. Practically all of these lawyers have been retained by the larger corporations of the country as well as the utilities. It is not to be assumed that their heavy decisions exert any influence upon the Supreme Court. In fact they are not intended for this purpose. They are anti-Roosevelt . . . that's

As a practical matter the American Liberty League can only function in the 1936 campaign as an auxiliary to the Republican campaign. It will be of service to the Republican candidate for President in the North and East. This organization doesn't make the slightest dent in the South or the agricultural States.

#### Have Hard Row to Hoe

There isn't the remotest possibility of defeating Mr. Roosevelt for the Demo-eratic nomination for President. Some cratic nomination for President. Some of the more experienced politicians in the Liberty League, that is those who are on the payroll, rather than the contributing end, have been visualizing the possibility of setting up a formidable group of non-pledged delegates. They have even talked of a bolt on the platform, reminiscent of the bolt of the Cleveland days on the free silver issue. But to elect any such delegation in any State would mean the defeat of Mr. Roosevelt within the Democratic party. In other words no delegation party. In other words no delegation could be organized which might claim to favor Mr. Roosevelt for the renomination and at the same time oppose his policies.

For instance, ex-Governor Ely could not head a non-pledged delegation in Massachusetts except as an admitted bitter opponent of the President. It is

questionable whether he could win, even although admittedly the tide has been although admittedly the tide has been running strongly against the President in this section. The chances are that Governor Curley would dictate the delegation. Presumably he might include Senator Walsh, who is known as a lukewarm supporter of the President, but he might not decide to do this.

There have been frequent conferences between former Governors Smith and Ely as to the possibility of making a fight against a pledged Roosevelt delegation in Massachusetts. But nothing

has been settled up to date.

Both will be headliners at the dinner of the Liberty Leagus which is scheduled in Washington the night of Jan. 25. It should be a highly interesting affair as indicating the extent of the rebellion in the Democratic party against the New Deal policies. It will be the "Old Guard" in action.
But its affect on the Democratic con-

vention is likely to be nil.

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# PARDONED LIFERS ARE GRATEFUL

# Express Their Thanks for Freedom to Governor

Two of the lifers pardoned by the Governor and Council on Wednesday left to take up their homes outside of Massachusetts immediately after they had paid their respects to Governor Curley at the State House yesterday afternoon.

The third pardoned lifer, Wojiech Birusz of Salem, did not come to the State House yesterday, because, being an alien, he was pardoned on condition that he is to be deported to his native Poland.

#### GOES TO BURLINGTON

Morris Levine of Holyoke went to Burlington, Vt., to spend the rest of his life with his sister. He is 67 years of age and was pardoned because of a weakened physical condition. He expressed confidence, however, that he is still able to do a good job of painting and he hopes to find plenty of work

in Burlington, where he lived for 15

Samuel Powers, committed in 1914, said he would start at once for New York, where his sister, who conducts a beauty shop in Harlem, has offered to set him up in business

The other four prisoners released yesterday were William Hooper of Lynn, who was serving a six to seven years' sentence for manslaughter; Thomas J. Panetta of Cambridge, 12 to 20 years for manslaughter; Joseph Kin-kowitch of Worcester, serving 15 to 18 years for stealing, and William G. Hen-ry of Dorchester, three to five years for larceny

In a brief talk to the six men who came to the State House to thank him,

the Governor said:
"Obey the laws and you will be safe.
If you violate the laws you must expect to suffer the penalties. There is one thing I want you to remember and that is that the old law of compensa tion never sleeps-it always works. If you do good deeds, you will be re-warded. If you do evil deeds, you will never escape punishment.'

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WITH SANTA NOTHING TO DO Take the exciting case of the extraordinary Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Frank A. Goodwin: One of the town's ardent and in this

case learned controversialists had been writing the Registrar strong letters of criticism. These were so serious the Registrar answered each of them very seriously, sort of on the principle that seriously, sort of on the principle that a civil statement deserves a civil reply. The letters became more and more vituperative and charged the Registrar with about everything from maybe moral turpitude down.

Purely from innocent curiosity about

his abusive persecutor the Registrar directed that his record as a motorist

be examined. The man's personal history had never hitherto come into the discussion. In fact the Registrar didn't know whether he was a motorist. The know whether he was a motorist. The examination showed that the man who believed he was so right and the Registrar so wrong had his car falsely registered from a fake address to escape legitimate insurance charges.

The law is the law and what could the Registrar do but revoke his license? Now if he had never written those abusive letters—

abusive letters-

IN CASE IT COUNTS FOR ANY-THING: It just goes to show what a tiny, however lovely, little village we all live in, when one reflects that Ray Wilkins is the law partner of Robert G. Dodge, new special assistant Boston corporation counsel in the Dolan investigation. Mr. Wilkins was attorney for the Donnelly Company, and the Donnellys and the Curleys are of course inter-married. And Edmund L. Dolan, need we add, is Governor Curley's best friend and was City Treasurer when His Excellency was his Honor. CASE IT COUNTS FOR ANY-

STORY BEHIND THE STORY: One of the Yuletide's best sellers is Edward Rowe Snow's book: "The Islands of Boston Harbor," but it doesn't tell everything. It doesn't tell how Mr. and Mrs. Snow were all but tumbled into a turbulent sea when a gale, with witches riding in the wind, marooned this Winthrop school-teacher and his wife for nine hours on Hangman's Island, rendering them helpless in their canvas-backed canoe. The couple were then gathering material for this very book. STORY BEHIND THE STORY: One

book.
Robinson Crusoe Style, Snow attached his sweater to the top of a paddle as a distress signal, and let the ships that pass in the night know of his mishap. Rain-bedraggled on an island with a horrible name Mrs. Snow knew the grewsome fate of Nix's Mate on a island nearby, knew the unholy legendary terrors of Peddock's Island where a whole French crew was massacred, and had gotten up data about ghosts that come up out of the seat to remind this generation of the strange horrors of a piratical past.

But there were neither ghosts nor eerie sounds that night, nor any sign of the dead comrades of John Paul Jones. Not a syllable about "pieces of eight" or "dead men's chests" or "bottles of rum." The Snows were rescued to be sure—but that story, except for this, is yet to be printed.

SPIRIT OF THE DAY: The traffic cop himself at Tremont street and Park

couldn't get over it.

A sedan had come out of Hamilton place and stalled right in the middle of everything. It was after 5 p. m. and motorists were anxious to get

home. There was no honking of horns. No yells. No indignation and certainly none of the customary profanity and offers to knock blocks off.

Instead pedestrians, other motorists, got out to push, straighten the stalled car out, help him and his family this way and that. It's the sort of thing which would never happen at this spot any other time of the year. But you see it was Christmas eve!

And lest we are accused of getting this yarn up out of whole cloth just for fun to make a season's tale, the number of the stalled car was Massachusette sagistration, 691,628.

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# PROBING PROXY WEDDING CASE

#### Governor Studying Plea for Pardon

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 24-John H. Backus, assistant secretary to Gover-Curley and his adviser to penal matters, announced tonight an investi-

gation will be conducted into the case of Hebert H. Mansfield, Jr., of Providence, serving a year's sentence here for his proxy marriage to Vesta Jean Isherwood of Nantucket.

Backus declared the probe was underway "due to the unusual circumstances attached to the case" and the contrary opinions expressed in reference to the disposition of the matter.

Mansfield pleaded guilty in the Su-perior Court here in November to charges of perjury and conspiracy to violate the marriage laws. Judge Wal-ter L. Collins sentenced the youth. Mansfield later petitioned Governor

Curley for a pardon.

In June, Mansfield, accompanied by. Gloria Rego, 15, of Providence, was married in Seckonk, the bride using Miss Isherwood's name. Mansfield, working as a grocery clerk at Nan-tucketsin the summer of 1934, met Miss Incketsin the summer of 1934, met Miss Isherwood and when she entered the East Greenwich Academy in the fall of that year, he obtained work in Providence. He claimed Miss Isherwood consented to have Gloria use her name, promising to join him at the close of the school year.

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### XMAS PARDONS HANDED TO 7

Smiling gently, a 67-year-old wife killer thanked the Governor.

He was a mild-looking old man, with big steel-rimmed spectacles. A beard would have made him look like Santa Claus.

Five other men flanked himmade happy by Christmas

The wife-killer, Morris Levine, of The wife-killer, Morris Levine, of Holyoke, and a Negro, Samuel Powers, of Westfield, who also murdered his wife, were the happiest, because they were both serving life sentences. Levine had served seven years of his, and Powers three times that many. The other four were younger men, convicted four were younger men, convicted of less serious crimes.

#### GOVERNOR'S ADVICE

They stood in Governor Curley's office yesterday, and heard him

"It's Christmas time—the season of peace on earth and good will to men. The state of Massa-

chusetts is evincing that spirit chusetts is evincing that spirit in giving you these pardons. It is up to you how you use them. Remember—it's your duty to yourselves to use them well." Levine's daughter, Mrs. Mary Rome, of Hartford, wept as she

thanked the governor. So did the mother of Joseph Zinkowitcz, a young man who had been sentenced to from 15 to 18 years in prison in 1928 for stealing \$30.

SERVED 21 YEARS

Powers, the man with 21 years of prison behind him, said:
"Thank you, Mr. Governor, thank you. I'm going to New York and I won't ever bother you folks in Massachusetts any more.

A third life, Woeiech Birusz, of Salem, was not at the ceremony. Federal men hold him for depor-

Others who will eat Christmas dinner with relatives instead of at Charlestown or Norfolk prisons are William Hooper of Lynn, sentenced in 1933 to 6 to 7 years for man-slaughter; Thomas J. Panetta of Cambridge, serving 12 to 20 years for manslaughter, and William G. Henry of Dorchester, serving 3 to 5 years for the larceny of \$1700 from the Minot Co-operative bank.

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# CHRISTMAS ON AIR FROM HOLY LAND

#### Lionel Barrymore in Dickens Role

By STEVE FITZGIBBON

The "Story of Christmas" will be broadcast over NBC-WBZ-WEEI today at 12:30 . . . The program today at 12:30 . . . The program will open in Bethlehem, with music by the Franciscan Choir, singing in the Church of the Nativity, located on the side of the manger ..

It will then switch to Cairo, Egypt, beneath the Virgin's Tree, at Mataria, where the Holy Family rested on the flight from the wrath of King Herod . . . Portions of a Pastorale will then be heard sung by a choir in Rome . . . This com-position was recently unearthed from some of the old archives and has never been heard publicly in this country.

From San Francisco will come the ringing of bells and music by a boy's choir in the Mission Dolores, founded in 1776 . . . The original building still stands and this portion of the "Story of Christmas" will originate from

GREETINGS OF EMPIRE

The voice of England's King George, greeting his subjects in various parts of the world, will be heard on NBC-WEEI and CBS-WAAB at 9:20 a. m. . . . Opening in London with carollers, the pro gram will end with greetings from ten communities in the British Isles and one each from Canada, India, South Africa and New Zealand .

Gov. Curley faces WNAC microphones at 6:30 p. m. to give you his views on "Social Security" . . .

John Charles Thomas will have 300 orphans from various Manhat tan institutions as guests during his broadcast over NBC-WBZ at 9 o'clock . . . Which reminds us that Jack Fisher and his boys pass up a portion of their free time today to entertain needy youngsters assembled in the Steuben restaurants as the guests of Max and Joe Schneider .

TWO SCROOGES

What Chance of Escape Has Santa Got?



Fibber McGee and Molly, in private life Jim and Marian Jordon, heard Mondays at 8 P. M., over NBC-WBZ, are all set for old St. Nick here, and the jolly old fellow will have to leave plenty to pacify

with Lionel Barrymore as Scrooge . Barrymore will have the splendid assistance of Buster Phelps, of the talkies, who will portray Tiny

George Burns and Gracie Allen have decided to burlesque this Dickens masterpiece during their weekly aircast over WNAC at 8:30 p. m. . . . Gracie announces that she has been studying a portrait of Barrymore in his Scrooge makeup for some weeks now and after she hears him do it on the above program she will pull out her little blue hat and go right to town . . .

Only it will be entitled "Scram, Scrooge," when you hear it in the No Yuletide would be complete without Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" . . . Like last year you will hear it via CBS-WAAB at 5 o'clock Burns and Allen manner . . . To

role of Tiny Tim to Jacques Renard ... But the sponsors of Gracie's program advise us not to take too much stock in what she says as, at the last minute, Gracie might change her mind and just say "Merry Christmas" . . . However, comedy such as this should be a welcome relief after a somewhat heavy day . .

Ethel Grenier has a dicker on with Steuben's Vienna room . . . We caught the Frim Sisters, who are in town for the holidays, at the Mayfair last night.

We extend our greetings to you and yours for a most happy Christmas, and thank you for your encouragement and help the past

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Morris Levine, pardoned lifer, leaving State House after Gov-Curley had granted him a parole pardon in the slaying of his wife.

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#### COUGHLIN SENDS **CURLEY GREETING**

The Rev. Charles A. Coughlin

The Rev. Charles A. Coughlin sent the seasop's greetings to Gov. Curley in a letter received yesterday at the State House.

"My dear Governor Jim," the radio priest wrote, "may I intrude upon you for a moment to wish you and your loved ones a holy and happy Christmas. May the Child Jesus bless you and love you now and forever."

Gifts for leed

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#### Volunteers

of America headquarters saw Gov. Curley distributing Christmas baskets yesterday. Scores of dinners were given away. Photo shows a group during the Christmas party.

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# TRAIL CONV

# FEAR AID TO PAIR HUNTED

Three young women, from Malden, Everett and East Boston, constant visitors at state prison, were under close, secret surveillance yesterday, as search continued for their boy friends, desperate long-term convicts who escaped from a prison guard Monday night, killing him in the melee.

Police believe that the girls' regard for the two escaped desperadoes, Anthony Repucci, 25, and Edward Gaunelli, 25, is such that the pair may turn to the girls for money, a hide-out or other assist-

More than a score of other persons, including members of men's families, are being watched, and police cars are parked outside their former homes in Everett. One house in Everett was suddenly surrounded and searched yesterday afternoon, but without

The lives of two men were also guarded, as police placed a watch about the homes of Judge Abraham Pinanski of Brookline, who had sentenced the fugitives, and of Asst. Dist. Atty. M. Edward Viola of Everett, who prosecuted them. To Viola, one of the men, Repucci, had hissed, "We'll take care of you when we get out."

#### COMB EVERETT

Two Everett men were being questioned following recovery in Everett of the pistol with which Guard Walter R. Doucette was shot to death as he was conveying the two men back to State Prison from Dedham Court.

Finding of the gun, which was due to the alertness of Lieut, Inspector Edward J. Dunn, turned the search definitely into Everett, it being established that one or both of the escaped men went there soon after their escape. It was feared by police, however, that they



Edward Guanelli Antonio Repucci

have been spirited out of that city Guarnelli, the pistol in his hand walked into a cafe on Main st. Everett, about 7:30 p. m. Monday night. The escape occurred at about 6 o'clock.

At gunpoint, the desperade forced Silvio E. Pace, 38, manager of the place, who told the story to police, to make a telephone call. There was no answer at the number called.

Guarnelli, well-known to Pace through his former residence in Everett, told the latter that he was prepared "to shoot it out with any cop who got in his way." He expressed a hatred of all police.

"This gun has shot a prison guard," he declared, waving the pistol which was taken from the slain Doucette, " and it will shoot a cop, too."

Pace said he tried to pacify the escaped convict, to convince him that it would do him no good to shoot a policeman and reminded him that it was the Christmas season, and that most policeman have children.

He said Gaurnelli suddenly turned to him, handed over the gun, saying:

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"Well, you take it, and keep

it for me, hide it somewhere."
Pace said he kept the gun in the cafe all night. Yesterday morning, when one Abe Itzkowitz, 31, a WPA worker came in to the place, Pace told him the story and asked him to hide the gun.

Abe took it to a vacant shed in Main st., and placed it beneath some burlap bags. As he left the place, he met Inspector Dunn. Dunn halted him and questioned him. Abe soon told what he knew and showed Dunn where the gun was hidden.

Dunn taak Pace and Itzkowitz to Everett headquarters and Boston police were called. The pair were taken into custody by Capt. John J. Mallon and lodged at Station 1, where they were booked on suspicion.

There they were being questioned late yesterday by Lieut. John McCarthy and high police officials, including Deputy Supt. James R. Claflin, who has been Supt. placed in charge of the investigation.

Spurred on by a reward of \$1000 offered by Governor Curley, under authority of the statutes, police directed their search in many directions, inspectors being dispatched to Cranston and Providence, R. I., and to Saybrook, Ct., to follow clues, while others worked in Everett, Malden, East Boston and

The lead to Cranston was considered good, for a close friend of the pair is known to have left suddenly for that place Monday night. He borrowed money from friends, and told them he was "going to Cranston to visit relatives.'

There was a well defined rumor in Everett that the pair had been rushed to Rhode Island soon after the shooting.

#### MANY CLUES

Another report, which came from Watertown police, placed the pair in a Watertown drugstore at midnight, Monday, attempting to purchase bus tickets to Saybrook, Ct. They ran out when their actions aroused suspicion. A Framingham man also reported seeing a pair answering their description in a lunchroom in that town early yesterday.

Police were armed that the escaped men are dsperate and probably are armed again. Orders to shoot to kill" were issued and if he pair are cornered a gun battle

s sure to ensue, police said.

The escape of Repucci and Gaurnelli, and the slaying of Doucette, resulted in orders from Commissioner of Corrections Arthur T. Lyman yesterday that hereafter two guards will accompany criminals in transit from prison to court.

Out at the Doucette home, last night, in Columbia rd., the space between the windows of the living room where a Christmas tree for six children should be, was occupied by the slain guard's casket.

The pile of Christmas gifts on the piano had been replaced by candles and spiritual bouquets, and sadness took the place of the gaily expectant Christmas spirit which had prevailed a few hours

It was not much like Christmas at the Doucettes.

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# HOUR BY HOUR PROGRAMS ON THE RADIO TODAY

WEEL-590 WCOP-1120 WHDH-830 WBZ-990 WNAC-1230

## 7 A. M. UNTIL 12 NOON

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7:00 WEEI—Train Catcher.
7:15 WNAC—News.
7:30 WNAC—News.
7:30 WAAC—Recordings.
WAAB—Morning Melodies.
8:00 WAAB—News.
WHDH—Chapel Service.
8:15 WNAC—Knox Manning.
WAAB—Morning Watch,
8:30 WEEI—Cheerio.
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WAAB—John Metcaif.
9:00 WNAC—Musical program,
WEZ—Church Hymns.
9:15 WNAC—Yanke Singers.
9:30 WNAC—Holly and Mistletoe,
WEZ—Breakfast Club.
10:00 WNAC—Variety program,
WEZ—Press Radio News.
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WEZ—Today's Children.
WAAB—Mornings Moods.
10:30 WNAC—News.
WAAB—Sistine Chapel. Choir.
11:30 WNAC—Trio.
WEEI—Ida Bailey Allen.
WEZ—Grace and Eddie.
WCOP—King's Chapel Service.
11:30 WEEI—William Foulkes.
WEZ—U. S. Army Band.
11:45 WNAC—Just Plain Bill.
WAAB—Italian Melodies.
WCOP—John Rattigan.

### 12 NOON UNTIL 7 P. M.

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12:00 WNAC—Voice of Experience.
WEEL—Russian Choir.

12:30 WNAC—Mary Marlin.
WBZ—Story of Christmas.
WAAB—Chapel Chimes.
WHOH—Ethel Kay.
WHOH—Ethel Kay.
WCOP—Les Emerson.

1:00 WNAC—Interviews.
WEEL—Christmas Party.
WAAB—Musical program.
WCOP—Francis Martorano.

1:30 WNAC—News.
WEEL—Turkey Trot.
WHOH—Cameron's Orchestra.
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WCOP—Phil Coleman.

2:30 WCOP—Mildred Drinan.
WAAB—Jack Arthur,
2:45 WAAB—News.
3:00 WNAC—Christmas Concert.

Best Bets Today Wednesday, December 25

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-WEEI-WAAB-King George 9:20 of England.

-WAAB-Sistine Choir from 10:30-Rome,

12:30-WEEI-WBZ-"The Story of Christmas.

1:00-WEEI-Children's · Christmas Party, David Lilienthal,

3:00-WBZ-"Babes in Toyland." 5.00—WAAB — Lionel Barrymore in Dickens' "A Christmas in Dickens' Carol."

6:30-WNAC - Gov. Curley, "Social Security."

-WAAB-Jack Fisher's Mu-

5:15—WAAB—sic, Muriel Lane.
7:30—WNAC—Kate Smith.
8:30—WNAC—Burns and All.
Jacques Renard's Music.

9:00—WEEI—Fred Allen's show. 9:00—WNAC—Lily Pons. 9:30—WBZ—Warden Lawes,

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WEEI—Betty Marlowe,
WBAB—News,
WHDH—Ann Nigro,
WCOP—Choral Society,
3:30 WEEI—Vic and Sade,
WAAB—Msoical Capers,
3:45 WEEI—The O'Neills,
WAAB—Bible Stories,
4:90 WAAC—The First Christmas,
WEEI—Woman's Radio Review,
WBZ—Betty and Bob,
WAAB—Ed Fitzgerald,
4:30 WNAC—Al Roth,
WEEI—Dramatic Sketch,
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WEEI—Al Pearce's Gang,
WAAB—A Christmas Carol,
WHDH—Musicale,
5:15 WNAC—Jack Onsiow,
5:30 WNAC—Jack Armstrong,
WEEI—Tom Mix Adventures,
WEZ—Sining Lady,
5:45 WNAC—Jack Armstrong,
WEZ—Clara, Lu 'n' Em,
WBZ—Orphan Annie,
WAAB—Drama,
WEEI—Clara, Lu 'n' Em,
WBZ—Orphan Annie,
WAAB—Dramatic Sketch,
6:00 WNAC—News,
WEEI—Evening Tattler,
WAAB—Drama,
6:15 WNAC—Govenor James M, Curley,
WBZ—Press Radio News,
6:35 WAAB—Vanished Voices,

6:45 WNAC-Musical program, WBZ-Lowell Thomas.

### 7P. M. UNTIL 1:30 A. M.

WBZ—Lowell Thomas,

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7:00 WNAC—Myrt and Marge,
WEEI—Amos 'n' Andy,
WEEI—All Marge,
WEEI—Uncle Ezra.
WBZ—Adventure Stories.
WAAB—Hasker Sorchestra.

7:30 WNAC—Kate Smith.
WEEL—After Dinner Revue,
WEZ—Lum and Abner.
WAAB—Organ.

7:45 WNAC—Boake Carter,
WEEI—Musical Moments.
WEZ—Dangerous Paradise,
WAAB—Socoti's Orchestra.

8:00 WNAC—Boake Garter,
WEEI—One Man's Family,
WEZ—Rendezvous,
WAAB—Master of Mystery,
8:30 WNAC—Burns and Allen.
WEEL—N. E. on Parade,
WEZ—House of Glass,
WAAB—Terry O'Toole.

9:00 WNAC—Lily Pons,
WEZ—Warden Lawes,
9:15 WAAB—News.

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9:20 WNAC—Ray Noble's Music,
WBZ—Warden Lawes,
WAZ—Warden Lawes,
WAZ—Drama of Christmas,
10:10 WNAC—Sandy MacFarlane,
WEZ—Lonerma Theater,
WEZ—Drama of Christmas,
10:30 WEZ—Jimmy Fidler,
WMEX—Drama of Christmas,
10:45 WAAB—Wrestling.
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11:50 WNAC—Delman's Orchestra,
WEZ—Joe Riness Music,
WAAB—Hopkins Music,
11:45 WNAC—Hal Keap's Music,
WEZ—Joe Riness Music,
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WEZ—Dou Bestor's Orchestra,
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12:00 WNAC—Veloz-Volanda Music,
WEZ—Dou Bestor's Music,
12:30 WNAC—Held's Music,
12:45 WNAC—Joy's Orchestra.

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# USHER IN XMAS

Boston ushered in Christmas with the traditional carol singing on Beacon Hill, midnight religious services, a display of the generosity for which the city is noted toward the poor and unfortunate,

and noisy revelry.

Thousands of merrymakers followed the carol singers in their rounds through the steep, narrow and twisting streets of the hill, aglow with candles, symbolic of the spiritual flame that is kept alive in human hearts by this ancient custom.

A band of bell ringers added their tinkling music to the fresh, eager voices of young women and the deeper notes of the men, while a taboo was laid against motor traffic during this picturesque observance of Yuletide, in order that the streets might be used to full advantage by the throng.

Lanterns and torchlights lighted the way of singers and merrymakers and the hill kept "open

house."

Organs boomed from churches from early evening until midnight when masses were sung as the great feast was dawning in most of the Catholic churches throughout the archdiocese.

In the Protestant churches there were candle light services, festival music and communion services in many of the Episcopal churches. Thousands in the Catholic churches also knelt at the communion rail to receive the sacrament.

Boston opened wide its generous heart to the poor and friendless and in giving full play to the spiritual side of the great feast did not forget the material side.

This year the demand upon charity was greater than ever before, even while the depression is slowly passing into history, and the response was never more generous.

Social welfare agencies made glad the hearts of children with toys and gifts of warm clothing, while thousands knew the warmth and sincerity behind the slogan "They shall not hunger." GIVE 2000 DINNERS

Mayor Mansfield as the city's leader gave out 2000 dinners in behalf of the Salvation Army at its headquarters in the South End.

Gov. Curley, leader in the state, attended a party for old persons at the Hanover st. home of the Volunteers of America and with the air of Santa Claus distributed

gifts to the poor,

Instrumental also in raising funds to supply 2500 needy families with Christmas dinners, the Governor felt that he had carried the spirit of the great feast into homes that are little more than hovels, but last night were bright with a glow that was not alone of earth.

Various religious and charitable ganizations also lived up to the objects for which they were founded by providing for several hundred men and women who might otherwise have gone hungry.

#### 20,000 MADE HAPPY

Tickets were given for Christmas dinners at the Waldorf restaurants and it was announced that in addition this chain will feed 20,000 persons free as their contribution to the day.

Today in orphan asylums, hospitals and correctional institu-

Today in orphan asylums, hospitals and correctional institutions the hungry will be fed with turkey dinners, a feast such as the fortunate of greater means might envy, if they did not emulate it.

For the private observance in hotels, clubs and—what is nearer to the heart of the feast—in homes, the weather man promised today clear, sparkling weather with no hint of storm, a green Christmas and by all the signs a gay one.

Boston's official observance began yesterday afternoon with the lighting of the giant Christmas tree on Boston Common by Mayor Mansfield to the astonished and delighted "Oh's" and "Ah's" of childhood.

#### HEAR ROOSEVELT

Men and women who gathered to witness the happiness of the boys and girls likewise heard the voice of the nation's leader as President Roosevelt's message was broadcast to the nation.

There followed the singing of carols at Parkman bandstand, and when the gathering darkness made it feasible, the illumination of the frog pond. Still later the feast was dramatized with tableaux, music, lighting and scenic effects telling the simple, but moving

At midnight as all lights were extinguished there was a fanfare of trumpets to salute the new day, then lights were flashed on amid shouts and greetings of "Merry Christmas to All."

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# CHARITIES **GREATEST IN** HISTORY

In a last-minute prediction last night, the weather man promised another green Christmas for today, similar to that of last year. Fair and continued cold was the forecast, with no snow in sight.

Last minute shopping done, last forgotten ones remembered, Boston greeted another Christmas with songs and services last night.

Never in years has the demand on charity been greater, and never has the generous response of the people been exceeded.

Christmas dinners were distributed to thousands of the city's needy yesterday. Social welfare agencies gave toys and clothing to hundreds of children.

Special services were held in and Deer Island. Protestant and Catholic churches, drawing thousands of the faithful.

An official city observance of Christmas began at noon yesterday with the singing of Christmas carols at City Hall.

The program was renewed at the Parkman Bandstand at 5:30 where a giant Christmas tree was lighted

by Mayor Frederick W. Mansfield. Thousands gathered for the exercises on Boston Common and heard the President's Christmas message broadcast to the nation.

Through the evening until mid-night, concerts, choruses and pag-eants held the attention of the peo-

Mayor Mansfield gave out the first of more than 2,000 Christmas dinners at the Salvation Army Headquarters in the South End

yesterday. Several hundred men and women who might otherwise go hungry tomorrow were given tickets through various religious and char-itable organizations which are good for Christmas dinners at Waldorf restaurants. These restaurants will feed 20,000 persons free today as their contribution to the

Christmas spirit.

GOV. CURLEY AIDS

Gov. James M. Curley, who was instrumental in raising funds to supply 2,500 families with Christ-

mas dinners, yesterday attended a party for old persons at the Volunteers of America home on Hanover street and helped pass out

gifts to the poor.

Beacon hill, agleam with candles and blazing with light, resembled old England, with carolers marching and singing Crough the streets. Part of this program was re-layed to all parts of the world by

an international radio hookup. Today Christmas will be obparticularly in the At most Catholic Christmas observance served churches. churches. began with the celebration of midnight mass. Other masses will be held through the morning.

Protestant churches generally

will observe the day with special sermons, music and pageants.

Turkey dinners will be served today to all inmates of city institutions, including Charles st. jail

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TRAVELER Boston, Mass.

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President Roosevelt.

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 24-The possibility of a pardon for Herbert Mansfield, Jr., Providence restaurant worker who pleaded guilty last months to perjury in connection with a "proxy" marriage, was raised today when an investigation was ordered by the Governor's office, according to the Standard-Times. The newspaper quoted John H. Backus, secretary to Gov. Curley, as saying an inquiry has been started "due to the unusual circumstances attached to the case.'

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# G.O.P. Senators to 'Dine and Discuss'

Session May Prove Caucus

(Special to the Daily News)

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 26
—Republican members of the Massachusetts Senate will "dine and discuss' Friday evening. Their main topic of discussion will be party unity and harmony as they hold their annual party pre-session dinner at the Copiey Plaza. chief among items to be ironed out will be the party regularity of President James G. Moran.

The party dinner may resolve itself into more than just a friendly get together inasmuch as a caucus may be its ultimate result.

#### Draft Program

Drafting of a program for opposition or support to special bits of legislation may be brought along and without a doubt pressure will be brought to bear on the Senate president to force a promise he will adhere strictly to the party policies in consideration for a return to the rules committee of the three indignant Republicans who resigned last year.

Whether or not ouster proceedings will be inaugurated against Senator William F. Madden, convicted of workslip fraud, could not be definitely ascertained today.

Some Senators feel Madden should tender his resignation. Others are of the opinion he should be forced from the Senate.

Retention of the Senate seats held by three Democratic elective officers recently appointed by Governor Ely and two by Governor Curley, may be under fire.

Senators William S. Conroy of Fall River, Charles T. Cavanagh of Cambridge and Joseph C. White of Boston all hold positions in the state service, as well as their Senate posts.

Republicans may take some action to purge their body of this dual service with dual pay from the state treasury.

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> CHRONICLE Cambridge, Mass.

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# MAYOR MAY MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT AT BANQUET DEC. 28

The possibility that Congressman-Mayor Richard M. Russell may make an important political announcement at the banquet to be given in his honor at the Hotel Continental Saturday night has aroused intense interest in the affair. There is already a sell-out on

tickets.

Just what the announcement may be is still a secret, but the fact that Gov. Curley has announced his candidacy for U. S. senator has started a rumor that "the Congressman-Mayor may throw his hat in the ring for governor at the Democratic convention next spring. Since the force force of the control of the constant of the control of the cont

convention next spring. Since a free-for-all is likely, if the governor sticks to his present plan, a Cambridge entry—or even two—will lend zest to what promises to be one of the most important state campaigns in a

While this feature of the affair is problematical, there is a feature which is sure and that is the presentation to the guest of honor of an oil portrait of himself done by Vollian Burr Rann, an artist of national standing. Mr. Rann is well-known in the artists' colonies of Provincetown and New York and has held showings of his work in the National Academy of Art and the Pennsylvania Academy of Art. Mr. Rann has made his home in Provinces town for the past 15 years.

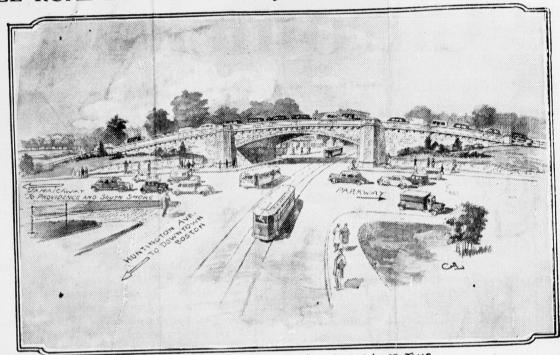
A distinguished list of guests

A distinguished list of guests is expected, among whom will be many of the Congressman's colleagues at Washington, Postmaster Peter Tague of Boston, State Auditor Thomas H. Buckley, Mayor-elect John D. Lynch. The committee hopes to have the presidents of Harvard, Technology and Boston university present and also all the living ex-mayors of Cambridge. It is also expected that a distinguished speaker from Washington will attend, but the committee is withholding his name until definite assurance of his presence had been received.

With a capacity audience assured, the affair is expected to be the banner event of the winter political season.

> CHRONICLE Brookline, Mass. DEC 2 6 1935

# HUGE ROAD-BUILDING PROJECT AT ENTRANCE TO TOWN



WHEN IT'S FINISHED, IT WILL LOOK LIKE THIS

WORK STARTED ON MUDDY RIVER PRELIMINARY TO CONSTRUCTION OF PASS TO CARRY PARKWAYS OVER TURNPIKE

#### Steel, Concrete And Granite Span Will Be 111 Feet Long And 14 Feet High Of Most Modern Type With Number Of Construction Wrinkles

The recent granting of a court injunction restraining certain construction work during the hours of the night served to direct attention to a gigantic road-building project now under way at the village entrance to Brookline in connection with completion of the local link of the Boston-Worcester turnpike. This is the construction of a pass to carry Jamaicaway and Riverover Huntington Avenue and Washington Street which is expected to be adequate for traffic needs for the

next fifty years.

The problem confronting traffic en-gineers of the State Department of Public Works was this: four years ago 52,000 automobiles traversed the intersection every twenty-four hours; then the number increased, and when the turnpike was put into use and a count made this year showed that 70,-000 vehicles passed through the point every twenty-four hours some means had to be found to overcome the resultant congestion and the awkward turns necessitated. The solution found was an overpass such as is now being constructed with a sufficient number go their desired ways by a sucession monize with significant and will harof approaches to enable motorists to of right-hand turns.

While the pass and its approaches will be the central figure of the project, the undertaking envolves considerable incidental work. A major part of this will be relocation and extension of the Muddy River culverts which carry the stream under Washington Street and Huntington Avenue, riprapping a section of the bottom of the river for locks, construction of connecting roads and traffic circles and extensive landscaping. At the present time contractors are working as many hours a day as possible fixing the brook and already steam shovels have dug out a sizable area and many trees have been cut down. The filling, which will raise the approaches to the bridge level, will be done this winter and the road work and construction of the span will be done the coming summer. It will be a long time before the parkways and environs resume their customary well-kept appearance, although the contract calls for completion of the project on September 26 of next year. The undertaking will entail an expenditure of approximately \$500,000.

The pass is to be of the most mod-ern type with a number of the latest park system. It will be of rigid steel

frame covered with concrete and faced with seam-faced granite walls in shades of brown. The span itself will be 111 feet long, but from the beginning of the approach on one side to the end of the approach on the other will be about 1,500 feet—roughly, a quarter of a mile. On the bridge will be two 30-foot roadways, with a four-foot reservation in the middle, an arrangement that will allow three lanes of traffic in each direction. The roadways will be of solid concrete slabs, covered with coarse bituminous that will match the black surface of the rest of the parkway, and in addition will be, it is said, less slippery in wet weather than flat concrete. Under the pass will be, eventually, two 34-foot roadways with a 25-foot reservation in the middle and two 8½-foot sidewalks. For the present, however, Huntington Avenue will remain open, with car tracks down the middle as now. Looking at the bridge from any angle no observer will be able to see any of the steel work. Even the "ceiling" will be covered with concrete, rising fourteen feet above Huntington Avenue at the curbs and about eighteen feet in the middle.

Into the bridge will go 350 tons of structural steel, 170 tons of reinforcing steel, 3,000 yards of concrete and 17,-000 square feet of granite facing. As little "false work"—wooden scaffolding—as possible will be used during construction of the pass. Much of the steel work is of a pre-fabricated type which can be lifted into place at night and riveted in the day time.

A modern teature will be nine threeinch wire cables, run under Huntington Avenue between the two big concrete blocks which will serve as bastions for the bridge. Nine steel ribs will hold the upper part of the bridge, but the weight on top will tend to "spread" the supports of the bridge as either end, on the ground level. The cables, which will be tightened up, will prevent this spreading. In addition, the sub-surface of Huntington Avenue will be tied in as a further safeguard against the base of the pass slipping. Ordinarily all these precautions would not be necessary, but this particular region was a swamp not so many decades ago and the ground isn't as solid as it is in some places. There will never be, however, any question of the strength of this span. It is designed so that each traffic lane—which won't be called upon to carry anything heavier than seven-passenger sedans-can carry a procession of twenty ton trucks.

# Completion Of Pike Link Strikes Snag

SERIOUS SITUATION RESULTS, GENERAL COMPLAINT VOICED

Pubic-Spirited Democrat Wanted To Get Action By State Administration

Wanted—a public spirited local Democrat who has sufficient influence with the present State administration to convince the latter that Brookline merchants and residents of the town are being seriously inconvenienced and are otherwise suffering from delay in completing the local link of the Boston-Worcester turnpike. If such a man, or woman, will take upon himself, or herself, this public endeavor, he, or she, will win the hearty thanks and everlasting gratitude of all living

and doing business here.

All of which is by way of stating that the local work remaining to be done on this super highway project has apparently struck a snag and present indica-tions are that it will be some time before the difficulty is overcome unless a miracle comes to pass. As matters now stand, the plan for the last local link of the turnpike has been approved by the State Department of Public Works but the latter has not yet officially agreed to take over construction of the stretch from Village Square to the town line as a State highway, maintaining that there are no funds available for either construction costs or incidental land damages. Town officials have sought diligently for action by the State body but beyond drawing from the latter the tacit admission that the situation resulting from delay in completing the project is as bad as any evident in the Commonwealth their efforts have been in vain.

During the controversy over the socalled Curley bond issue, it was intimated that if legislation authorizing this was passed it would make available money for land damages incident to the project and also that other funds would be found for the actual construction of the link, but local officials have now been given to understand that all the bond money has either been allocated or ear-marked and that there is no other money available. The only plausible explanation is that Brookline has been passed by, and the reason for this can readily be understood. Hence, the necessity for enlisting the services of a public-spirited local Democrat to endeavor to get Brookline the attention to which she is entitled.

Meanwhile, merchants of the Village section and others having occasion to traverse that part of the town are complaining in no uncertain terms over failure to start work on the link and virtually demanding action to relieve the situation resulting. The former maintain that the traffic congestion and general confusion in Village Square and immediate vicinity are handicapping them in the conduct of their business and the latter declare that existing conditions cause them much inconvenience and delay, while the situation has created a serious hazard. Despite the valiant efforts of the regular traffic officer in the Square and patrolmen assigned to traffic duty in the vicinity for the time being, the morning and afternoon rush hours find traffic backed up to Harvard Square and Brookline Avenue while there is more or less congestion in the vicinity at all times, and conditions are becoming worse every day. Already the situation has become such that autoists find getting through the Square a herculean feat and pedestrians "haven't a chance," with the result that both are avoiding the district as much as possible and merchants of the section are being penalized.

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What a great satisfaction it must be to Governor Curley and his handpicked Council, as well as to all other patriots, to know that, when the year 1936 rolls in, the Old Bay State will again be free from the menace of Communism, Fascism, Radicalism. and all sorts of un-Democratic doc-The school children now pledge allegiance to the flag at least once a week and do it according to the form prescribed by the "authoritative patriotic organizations." The school teachers, practically all of them, have sworn allegiance to the Constitution of Massachusetts, and one or two of them have even read it. Greatest triumph of all, Dr Payson Smith, for nearly twenty years Commissioner of Education, has been fired. In the words of Sam Adams, "What a glorious day is this, my fellow countrymen!" The Commonwealth has been saved!

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IT IS SAID

That in these days dedicated to good will to men we would rather be in the shoes of Dr Payson Smith than in those of James Michael Curley.

That quite a lot of people are taking pot shots at the political Santa Caus.

That even Father Coughlin cannot see how the Townsend plan can be carried out.

That the Boston Post Santa went over the top as usual this year and deserved to win his fight.

That reopening of the Chelsea bridge will save a lot of wear and tear on Everett streets, with hundreds of heavy trucks now taking their usual routes.

That the letter carriers are glad that it is all over.

That there must be enough Christmas trees left over to start a small forest.

That the Gas & Electric Co employes gave a Christmas party to over 500 poor children at the Malden Armory Saturday afternoon, each receiving gifts useful and appropriate to the season. Gen Manager "Josh" Day was a typical Santa Claus.

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That the two Everett convicts who murdered a prison guard in cold blood should be thrown to the Ethiopians.

That all Christmas records at the local post office were broken this week.

That we would be better off if we kept the Lindbergs and deported all undesirable aliens and there are a lot of them.

That the WPA checks came through Monday and all the liquor places did a fine business. Sad but true,

That a good many Everett aspirants for city appointments will not hang up their stockings until the first Monday in January.

That Goy Curley pardoned five killers on Tuesday. Fine work and a wonderful Christmas present to the law abiding public.

That the employes of the New England Tank & Tower Co were made happy Christmas by a ten per cent increase in wages.

That WPA checks arrived in Everett on Tuesday and they kept the banks busy long after hours cashing them.

ENTERPRISE Falmouth, Mass. DEC 26 1935

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THE REMOVAL OF DR SMITH We have already recorded our opinion of the plot, for such it was, to remove Payson Smith from the office of State Commissioner of Education. Now that the removal has been consummated, we repeat that it is the worst blow ever dealt to the cause of public education in Massachusetts. It is not only that the schools are deprived of the direction of a supremely competent commissioner, one of the half dozen leading educators in the country. It is not only that he is superseded by a young man, whose qualifications are uncertain and whose training for the post is inadequate. It is chiefly because a position that ought to be and always has been nonpolitical is dragged down into the muck and mire of politics and the interests of the school children made subordinate to the machinations of a political group. If there is any reason for Dr Smith's removal other than that he was not afraid to condemn the political philosophy that lies behind the teachers' oath bill, we have not heard it. He was sacrificed it appears because he still believes in freedom and distrusts Fascism under any and all disguises. The Governor shouldered the responsibility of removing him onto his subservient council. But the farcical performance will deceive no one. His "reappointment" of Dr Smith and its immediate rejection by the Council is eyewash and nothing else. The fact that the and nothing else. Governor resorted to it, in such conspicuous contrast to his usual political boldness shows how bad he knew the whole affair to be .- Malden Evening News.

#### EDITORIALS



#### SOMETHING ROTTEN ON BEACON HILL

That the public school system of Massachusetts has become contaminated by politics was clearly demonstrated this week when Dr. Payson Smith, Commissioner since 1917, was removed from office by five Democratic members of the Despite the Governor's Council. fact that Dr. Smith's name was sent to the Council by Gov. Curley it was apparently merely a gesture to pacify the thousands of honorable citizens who protested against the removal of one who has brought the public school system of Massachusetts up to its present enviable standing throughout the nation. According to the Boston papers there was a conference between the six Democratic members of the Governro's Council and the Governor immediately preceding the vote and it was then clearly predicted that Dr. Smith would fail of confirmation.

On Friday of last week Grace I. Woodbury, President of the Massachusetts Teachers Federation, which she said takes in 21,000 or about 80% of the public school officials and teachers in the state, made the following public statement in regard to the appointment of a Commissioner of Education:

"The vast majority of the teachers of Massachusetts are in favor of the reappointment of Dr. Payson Smith as Commissioner of Education, as is also true of school superintendents and college people. The Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Teachers Federation has adopted a resolution expressing appreciation and commendation of Dr. Smith's fine services since 1917. I headed a committee which presented this official resolution to Governor Curley in person on November 18.

"Of course, there are some who wish to see a change in the Commissionership. No man can serve in high office for eighteen years Hatchville.

without an accumulation of misunderstandings; disappointments, personal animosities, and political hostility. I want to state, in no uncertain terms, that any opposition from teachers comes from a small minority and does not reflect the general attitude of Massachusetts teachers, regardless of attempts to create a contrary impression.

"I hope that every educator and citizen of Massachusetts who stands for the principle of keeping politics and education separated, and who believes that able, professional educational leadership should be supported, will immediately ask Governor Curley to reappoint Payson Smith as Commissioner of Education."

Despite the statement of the President of the Massachusetts Taechers Federation the directors of that organization voted this week 12 to 8 in endorsing the man who was appointed to succeed Dr. Smith. Despite the fact that the Federation of Teachers was one of the most active foes of the teachers' oath bill when it was before the Legislature last session this body voted to endorse the man who stood 100% for the oath.

While we feel that the action of the Governor's Council was entirely contrary to the wishes of the majority of citizens, we also feel that there must have been some monkey business within the ranks of the Federation of Teachers to produce the paradox.—Wellesley Townsman.

#### FIRST SNOWFALL

Falmouth had its first appreciable snowfall of the winter Sunday night. It was not enough for coasting, but neither was it enough to spoil the skating, so youngsters were not unhappy. Skating began Sunday after two cold nights, and by Monday most of the smaller ponds in the town were safe. Saturday night was the coldest of the season to date, with the thermometer dropping to five above zero in Hatchville

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#### Says New Deal Was Misnamed

Curley Secretary Traces Roosevelt Program Back To "The Nazarene On Shores Of Galilee"

The New Deal was misnamed, John H. Backus Jr, a secretary to Governor Curley, told the James M. Curley Club of Falmouth at its meeting in Junior High auditorium Thursday night. Mr. Backus asserted that the creed of the New Deal is "as old as the philosophy of the Nazarene upon the shores of Galilee".

Mr. Backus was the principal speaker. Thomas Ferreira, the club president, kept a few less than 60 people waiting until 8:30 P. M. before he began his meeting. Then he confessed his belief that something had detained the Curley secretary. But about 9 P. M. Mr. Backus came into the hall. The other speakers were Henry L. Murphy, postmaster of Hyannis, and John D. W. Bodfish.

Mr. Murphy said he had never before been an opening speaker, hoped he never would be again, and didn't like to be this time. "But I suppose I must," he said. "We can't go back on Roosevelt now any more than we could have gone back on Lincoln in the midst of the Civil War," Mr. Murphy said. "From whom are you most likely to get relief, the men who are in charge now or the men who were in charge when we sank to the lowest depths?", the speaker asked. urged his hearers to work to get local officials to co-operate with the Democratic leadership and bespoke support for his own candidacy, should his name appear on the ballot next year.

Mr. Bodfish expressed the belief that conditions had not improved as fast as he could wish. His talk was a plea that the Roosevelt Democracy should not be blamed for its short-comings but rather supported for the great deal it has accomplished. Mr. Bodfish delved into history and compared Hoover with Buchanan as a "do nothing president".

Nate Ellis led applause when Mr. Backus described the social program and old age assistance ideas of Governor Curley. Mr. Backus said Roosevelt and Curley will never deviate from their fight for the common people.

After the meeting Mr. Backus warmly greeted Edwin J. Donnelly, chairman of the Falmouth Democratic committee.

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#### Teachers Push Their Protest

Falmouth Association Clears Way To Resign From State Federation After Reardon Endorsement

The Falmouth Teachers club took the first step Thursday toward resignation from the Massachusetts Teachers Federation. An amendment to the club constitution to make membership in the Federation a matter of choice rather than obligatory was introduced. The amendment will probably be adopted at a meeting next week, after ten days required by the constitution has elapsed. Resignation from the Federation is expected to follow immediately.

Resignation will be in protest against endorsement by the Federation's board of directors last Tuesday of James G. Reardon for state commissioner of education. Reardon was appointed by Governor Curley, and the appointment confirmed by the council, less than 24 hours after the Federation endorsement. Russell B Marshall, principal of Junior high school, was one of the directors who voted against the Reardon endorsement. The Federation had previously sent the Governor a resolution warmly commending the work of Dr. Payson Smith, who held the post for 20

Similar action is being taken by teachers' groups in many other towns and cities, says Mr. Marshall. He thinks that the movement, if sufficiently widespread, may force resignation of the group of directors who now dominate the Federation and who voted for the Reardon endorsement. If they do resign, he believes the Falmouth group and others will return to the Federation fold.

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### Why Be Elected?

Why people want to get into the publi eye and having attained that purpose refuse to discharge

the responsibilities involved has albeen a much discussed and unanswered question. The problem is no more vividly illustrated than right here in Fairhaven among Town Meeting members.

Last Thursday night -- and this by no means the first time such a thing has happened -- the town meeting called for that evening failed to function because of lack of a quorum. It was only a few short of the neccessary number it is true but for all legal requirements it might just as well have been fifty or seventy five shy, or everyone could have stayed at home.

Fast and furious telephoning on the part of the Selectmen and their clerical force failed to round up the absent ones and a postponment

was in order. At every annual town election a certain number of citizens consent to have their names used as candidates for Town meeting members and following election promptly forget that they were named for a certain purpose -- viz to go to meeting and represent those who had sent them there.

Not only are Town Meeting mem-bers who fail to carry out their obligations to their oath unfaithful to the community but they are also unfair to faithful Town Meeting members who, strange as it may seem, may have as important engagements as those who did not go to the meetings. Yet the latter held their obligations sacred and went, no matter what the sacrifice, only to find their evening had been wast-

There are many excellent reasons why some persons should sometimes be excused from attendance Most of them, however, never happened.

Incidentally, it is an interesting angle to contemplate the action of last Thursday night's gathering in ney's end. The voting to adjourn itself to the fol- lic demands it. lowing night. Actually because of lack of quorum, there was no meet- year after year, it looks as though

But in section o or the Act establishing a limited form of town meet, ing in Fairhaven it is proved that a less number than a quorum may organize temporarily and adjourn the meeting. However, it fur-ther provides that the town clerk However, it furmust post a notice of the proposed meeting in each of the town's precincts and also notify the members at least 48 hours before the time of the adjourned meeting.

When this fact was tardily discovered the announced adjournment was cancelled and the date of the meeting moved ahead.

ROAD ROLLER

Lovers of fair play and decency were shocked at the methods used by Governor Curley in getting rid of Dr. Payson Smith, Massachusetts Commissioner of Education.

Smith was thrown to Curley's hand picked pack of councillors. Running true to form and instructions they immediately tore the Educational head limb from limb and sat back on their haunches, licking their chops, awaiting the next command of their master. This followed almost immediately when Mr. James G. Reardon was led into the arena. The Governor snapped his The council wagged its fingers. tail; and plain Mr. Reardon emerged from the bullpit, the "Commissioner of Education of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts." filling and satisfying.

One wave of Just like that. Michaels wand and an exalted office becomes a political football

This comment is no reflection on the ability of the new commissioner. We know nothing of this. He may be fitted to continue the high standing set by his predecesor or he may not. The point is that the affair is just another indication of the manner in which Masachusetts is being swept into dictatorship.

First the Governor gained control of the Council by bribery. Republican, and from this district too, we record with hanging head, A defeated Democrat sold out. was appointed in his stead . . . \$13,-000,000 was placed at the disposal

of the administration . . . . The plum tree was immediately hung with these glittering baubles and the faithful gathered around for the shaking . . . Scores of other signs of power building need no reviewing here.

What an insult to our intelligence to think we can't see through it all! It is like a cock-eyed highwayman covering up his jaw with a bandanna and leaving the upper part of his face bare thinking he has disguise himself against future identification.

Alas, that is the way with some professional politicians. They figure that as part of their act it is required that they go around Robin Hood's barn to attain their journey's end. They believe their pub-

And from the support they get they are right.

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Politics Again.

Failure of the Executive Council of Massachusetts to re-elect Dr. Payson Smith as state commissioner of education will give a shock to the educational world. He is held in high esteem by his profession. Last year at the convocation of the University of the State of New York, in urging more training of teachers in order to give children a better education, he said: "We must keep up the normal schools, not that the teacher may teach but that the children may learn." If he had stopped there, his chances for re-election as commissioner might not have been impaired. But he added that "politicians" are liable to destroy our plans for nor-mal school, which are the center of the whole school system.

Governor Curley stated, according to the report, that he had conferred with the Democratic members of the Council before its meeting and found that, with the exception of the lieutenant governor, all were opposed to Dr. Smith. This would seem to indicate that "politics" had a determining part in the ousting of this veteran educator who has maintained the tradition of such great New England educators as Horace Mann, Henry Barnard and William T. Harris .-

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## Picked Policemen | Pursue Convicts

BOSTON, Dec. 26, (AP)—The search for two convicts who killed a State Prison guard Monday, as they shot their way to freedom, was taken today by eleven picked men of the Boston police departmen.

Headed by Lieut, Louis Di Sessa, they set out immediately to hunt Edward Guarnello, 26, and Antonio Repucci, 25, both of Everett.

There were rumors the convicts, both long-term men, had been traced to Portland, Me., Portsmouth, N. H., Gloucester and Everett, Mass., but police said they had no definite leads.

Governor Curley offered a reward of \$1,000 each for their capture, dead or alive.

The convicts struck Walter Doucette, a State Prison guard, with their manacles, while being taken in a taxicab from the South Railroad terminal here to State Prison. They freed themselves from the handcuffs with Mr. Doucette's key and one of them shot the guard as he fought furiously.

Throwing the taxi driver from the machine, they fled. The cab was recovered later in the North End district of Boston and the revolver was found in Everett. Mr. Doucette, before he died of a bullet wound in the abdomen, said Repucci shot him.

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## Political Grab Bag

-By Thomas K. Brindley-

Smaller Council Committees Better-

When it comes to wasting time in deciding important municipal matters, the City Council gives way to no group or individual. The members of the municipal government can delay a matter until it is about ready for an old age pension.

The reason for most of the delay is that the Councillors cannot make decisions in committee meetings. And the reason for that is the size of the committees.

When the Councillors took office nearly a year ago, they decided that they should serve as a Committee of the Whole on all matters. \*Their predecessors under Plan D had found such & plan feasible. But under the old plan, there were only four Councillors, whereas now there are nine.

The result is when matters come before the committees for discussion, if they are of any importance whatsover, they are referred to subcommittees. That means more delay.

It would seem the Council could handle affairs with more dispatch if it had committees of three or four members.

This is especially true in matters concerning real estate, claims, licenses, highways, ordinances, and new industries. For financial affairs, it may be better than the entire personnel serve on the committee.

The smaller committees could arrange meetings and hearings easier and when they reach a decision, they could submit their recommendations to the Council for final action. The chairman could explain the reason for a recommendation and the result would be the expediting of all matters coming before the Council.

On many orders, from two to six weeks could be saved by having the smaller committees, for not only could they conduct hearings, but being an easily gathered unit, they could visit locations and make views, especially on licenses and street orders. This would enable them to intelligently consider the value of protests made in certain matters.

The Councillors have had a year's experience and should be able to handle whatever work comes before them without deliberating over it for weeks.

One thing which meetings of the Council as a Committee of the Whole do, is delay regularly scheduled sessions.

Tardiness has been a forte of local Councillors for many years. People complained frequently about the delay in starting meetings under Plan D, and when the new Council took office last January, the members resolved to start the regular sessions on time. They adhered to their promise until June.

Since then each meeting has been later in starting than the previous one with the result that it is always after 8:30 when the sessions, scheduled for 8, get underway.

Smaller committees would eliminate these delays for they could handle matters coming before them in less time than is now required for nine men to interrogate witnesses and inject into discussions irrelevant speeches.

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### Do Councillors Have Influence?-

One of the best stories of how much influence the Councillors possess in City Hall is told by President Edward R. Harrington

It concerns an attempt on his part to obtain employment as a truck driver for a needy man with several children.

He called Public Works Commissioner Logan about the man, explaining just what economic conditions forced the truck driver to apply for aid.

The Council President swears that Mr. Logan told him he could not put anyone to work before the first of the following month—then two weeks distant. Mr. Harrington asked the Commissioner to care for the man and the latter agreed.

A short time later, the needy man met Michael Judge, unsuccessful candidate for Mayor in the 1934 preliminary election, and, according to Councillor Harrington, told him the same story. Mr. Judge, the Council President claims, brought the man to the Department of Public Works office and Mr. Logan employed him immediately!

### More About WPA Politics-

The Council subcommittee on WPA relations is continuing its efforts to obtain a list of the administrative division employes in the work relief setup at the Weetamoe Mill. It claims that the list is studded with politicians.

That the contention is correct cannot be denied, for a visit to the North End mill office, is a lesson in politics.

That is, it is a lesson in the political art of obtaining employ-

It has long been recognized that United States Senator David I. Walsh has his finger on the local WPA situation. Lawrence Bresnahan is known as "David I's man" here. Then the Governor and Lieutenant Governor have friends employed at the office. Governor's Councillor Russell has quite a few of his supporters working in the administrative and supervisory forces, and even some legislators have managed to work in friends.

The municipal government is well represented. In fact, when WPA officials are asked about who is responsible for the personnel in the administrative staff, they do not hesitate to declare that city officials have their share of friends employed.

There has been some criticism directed at the Murray administration because of the employment of Timothy Reagan as a watchman. Reports have been circulated it is the former Fire Commissioner, who is related to Public Works Commissioner Logan and was a Curley-Murray man in 1934. A check of the records this afternoon, however, failed to verify the report but did show another man of that name is working as a watchman. This is believed to have caused the confusion.

These are not happy days for anyone in the WPA administrative forces, however, for an order from Washington the day before Christmas was that there must be a drastic reduction within a week. State Administrator Arthur G. Rotch announced that he will cut his administrative budget by \$80,000 a month and that is interpreted to mean some faces that are now familiar in and about the Weetamoe Mill, will be missing after New Year's Day.

One thing sure to be interesting is the manner in which those to be discharged are selected.

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## RECORDER Greenfield, Mass.

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### Payless Holiday | For Greenfield WPA Employes

### Jam in Boston Office Brings Delay to 2,790 in State

BOSTON—(AP)—Mechanical devices and errors in 25 minor payrolls were blamed by Arthur G. Rotch, state works progress administrator, today for the delay in issuing checks to WPA workers before Christmas.

Rotch, answering Gov. James M. Curley's criticism, said that 79,000 of the workers had been paid before Christmas. Approximately 2,790 workers went without their checks, Rotch stated, because the check machines became jammed and because errors were discovered in 25 minor payrolls.

A number of Greenfield WPA workers had a cheerless Christmas through failure of the WPA headquarters in Boston in providing pay checks for distribution on the day before Christmas. According to orders of State Administrator Arthur G. Rotch, all WPA officials of the state were to use every effort to see that every employe on the federal projects received checks before Christmas day. While this was carried out in a majority of cases in the state, \$3,200 due Greenfield workers was not sent out from headquarters.

In consequence, those employed on the new town lock-up project, and a number of other local projects, received nothing on the day before Christmas, although workers in every other town in the county received checks representing work done up to Dec. 20.

Thomas Frawley, county certifying officer, had been notified by headquarters officials that these pay checks had been sent and special messengers were sent to Springfield to bring them here on Tuesday. Failure to locate the checks in that city led to a number of longdistance calls to Boston, which also proved unavailing. Even yesterday a messenger was sent to Worcester to try to locate the checks there, but that also proved unsuccessful. Further attempts are being made today to secure the checks for distribution to the workers.

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the Lawrence teachers.

### Gov. Curley's Appeal For Christmas Basket Fund Received Here

Several Holyoke business houses, especially those that do business with state agencies from time to time, got special delivery letters early this week from Gov. James M. Curley.

The governor was soliciting money for his special fund for distribution among the needy in Boston over Christmas.

It is not known whether any of the local men donated. Those that were asked about it all said they felt that they preferred to see to it that the needy of Holyoke were cared for, and let Gov. Curley raise his money for Boston in Boston.

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### LARGE AMOUNT

Local Machinery Tax Represents Substantial Portion of Revenue Received by City Each Year

The recommendation of the special recess commission on taxation to abolish the tax assessed by the local Massachusetts communities on machinery used in manufacturing is a much more serious matter to Lawrence than is apparent on the surface. Attention was called to it last week, when Governor Curley announced that he had the proposal under consideration. He expressed the opinion that the elimination of this tax would save the manufacturing industries now in the commonwealth and would tend to bring new ones here. His Excellency added, however, that he was not sure that such a plan would be workable, due to the fact that the revenue that was lost would have to be made up by some new form of taxation.

Inquiry at the office of the local board of assessors brings to light the interesting and important information that the machinery in the manufacturing plants of Lawrence is assessed for approximately \$15,000,000, or about fifteen per cent of the total municipal valuation. At this year's \$37.60 tax rate, the local tax on that machinery brought \$564,000 into the city treasury. Just how serious would be the loss of that revenue is immediately apparent. It would only be offset to the extent of about \$157,000 if Governor Curley's proposal to eliminate the state tax levied by the commonwealth on its cities and towns should become a reality. Before the recommended change would be agreeable to communities like Lawrence, the amount and permanency of the revenue substituted for the machinery taxes would have to be definitely assured. It will be recalled that in the early days of the gasoline tax in Massachusetts, a substantial portion of it was distributed annually among the cities and towns, Lawrence's share one year having been nearly \$100,000. Later the legislature decided to have the commonwealth retain all the gasoline tax money and now the cities and towns get nothing from that source. It would be a grave matter for the manufacturing communities if substitute revenue for machinery tax money proved to be as short-lived.

It is fair to assume that the effect of the proposed change would be much the same in the other industrial cities and towns as in Lawrence. Under all the circumstances, therefore, it would seem that their best interests would be served by the retention of the local machinery tax, and their elected officials should unite to fight the proposed change. Strong and concerted opposition may be necessary because of the fact that there are many residential cities and farming towns that would not be hurt, and consequently the recommendation probably would find favor with their representatives.

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## ESCAPED CONVICTS SOUGHT IN MAINE

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 25 (P)-Police searched trains and busses from Boston without success tonight for Edward Guarnelli, 26, and Antonio Repucci, 25, who shot and killed a prison guard in Boston,

Sergt. Harold K. Maguire said Monday. the search followed word from the warden of the Massachusetts state prison at Charlestown that the fugitives, on whose heads Gov. James M. Curley put a price of \$1,000 each, were believed to be on a train due here at 7.10 p. m.

A police squad went through the train, found no trace of the men, but interviewed a passenger, somewhat intoxicated, who said that two men, apparently of latin extraction, who disembarked at Portsmouth, N. H., had talked familiarly of the Charlestown Penitentiary, Maguire declared.

Maguire said the Massachusetts warden informed him of receipt of a telegram saying Guarnelli and Repucci left Portsmouth for Port-

land on the train. The pair, serving long-term burglary sentences, were being returned to prison after receiving additional sentences, at Dedham, Mass., Monday when they overpowered and shot Walter Doucette, the guard, who died of his wounds.

Massachusetts officials said Dousette named Repucci as the one who fired the shot with the guard's own pistol.

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### TIMES-MINUTE-MAN

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## God Save the Commonwealth!

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We have been pretty heartily disgusted with many things that have transpired on Beacon Hill during the past year. We have looked with concern upon actions of the present Governor that cannot, by any stretch of the imagination be coupled with the oath that he took at the beginning of his term of office to administer his duties for the best interest of all the people of the State. We have hoped against hope that he might realize that he was using his talents in a way that could bring only disaster and scorn to his name in the end. That he cares for nothing except his own political preferment is no new pronouncement by us, but his continued disregard of what is best for the State at large, makes this statement duly apparent to the person who usually thinks but little upon such matters. His latest move in shelving a trusted servant of the schools of the Commonwealth for no reason what-so-ever, hits a new low.

We should be discouraged more than we are, did we not feel that experience teaches us that all who go too far in any line, are their own worst enemies, and bring disaster upon themselves.

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> COURIER-CITIZEN Lowell, Mass.

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## **CURLEY SAYS WPA** FAILED IN PURPOSE

Governor Raps Administration in Failing to Meet Payrolls.

BOSTON, Dec. 25, (AP)—The Works Projects Administration was criticized tonight by Governor James M. Curley for its "abject failure to function properly not only in the matter of creation of works projects but in the matter of approving payrolls."

The governor charged that "in every section of Massachusetts and in many other sections of the nation worthy citizens in dire need have been required to pass through the season of 'peace on earth to men of good will' without the receipt of the money due them for labor performed, ranging from one to six weeks.'

The governor, in a radio address, cited this condition in support of his contention planning boards were needed throughout the nation.

# KILLERS OF GUARD ARE STILL FREE

### Guarnelli and Repucci Elude the Everett Police.

BOSTON, Dec. 26 (U.P.)—After investigating scores of "tips," police today apparently were without a clue to the whereabouts of two state prison convicts who killed a guard Monday.

A systematic search of the village section of Everett, home city of Edward Guarnelli, aged 25, and Antonio Repucci, aged 25, by police with riot guns and tear gas bembs last night failed to disclose a trace of the fugitives.

Guarnelli and Repucci mortally wounded Guard Walter R. Doucette, aged 43, father of six children, after overpowering him in a taxicab in which they were returning to prison from court. The guard died several hours later at a hospital.

A report that a Newton housemaid, said to be a former sweetheart of one of the convicts, was being watched in the hope she might lead them to the fugitives was denied by both Boston and Newton police.

Another "tip" that the convicts had raided a gun store to obtain arms remained unconfirmed today, no such break having been reported in this vicinity.

Maine police searched inbound trains and buses without avail. A search of both Gloucester and Boston fishing fleets likewise proved futile.

Thomas V. Morrocco, acknowledged friend of Repucci and Guarnelli, was released yesterday by Cranston, R. I., police after explaining satisfactorily his trip from Everett to Cranston.

Governor Curley has offered a \$1000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the fugitives.

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### HOLIDAY HIGHWAY HAZARDS

It is confidently hoped that the machinery set in motion by Governor Curley for a reduction of the fatalities resulting from automobile accidents, will operate effectively around the remaining Christmas and New Year holidays.

Above all other periods of the year tragedies come with the most crushing effect at the Christmas festival when the Christian world is cheerfully celebrating the glorious feast. Yet that is usually the time when the highways are most dangerously infested with drunken drivers and other marauders.

These reckless motorists had better remember that the police of every city and town, as well as other safety agencies, will be on the lookout during the holiday season for violators of the automobile laws.

Over the week-end there will be accidents due to lack of care and sometimes involving even the most careful drivers; but the greatest menace on the public highways is the motorist who is so drunk that he cannot see straight, cannot drive with a steady hand and who is likely to crash into a passing vehicle, a pole or tree or even to plunge from the highway with fatal results.

Governor Curley has inaugurated a movement throughout the state to promote safety on the public highways and the state troopers as well as the police of cities and towns are co-operating to the fullest extent.

Those who want to guard against fatal accidents will under no consideration ride in an auto the operator of which has been drinking. Even if he takes but a single drink before starting out, he is a menace on the highways.

This is the type of auto hazard that must be guarded against especially during the holiday season when intemperate drivers indulge more freely than at any other time of the year

Every police officer will watch for drivers who halt at barrooms to load up, and then start off with reckless abandon. These are the type who will find a lodgment at the police stations of the state around the holiday season and pay the penalty at the next session of the district court to which the arrest is referred.

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### **COURIER-CITIZEN** Lowell, Mass.

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### Nota Bene

be exchanged!

From old crones and crooners good Lord deliver us!

England regards the Lindbergh immigration as the sincerest flat-

Motto for the customs sheds: "America expects every man to pay his duty.'

Italy evidently thinks Capt. Eden was a poor sort of present for Christmas Eve.

Maybe a check seems just as good as a cheque, but somehow it doesn't look quite so impressive.

WPA workers whose pay is in arrear would easily forgive Uncle Sam for giving short wait.

Hopefully long experience has reduced to a minimum the number of people who write it "Adeste Fidelis."

Mussolini probably regards the Christmas proffers of the League as something rather like frank incense.

Part of the NRA has been transferred to other departments, and no doubt by any other name will smell as sweet.

Europe awaits eagerly to hear what the Roman augurs are saying, even while to most Americans these are only a bore.

CCC may cut capers; but as the 14,000 boys were home for a holiday be sure that most of them behaved well enough.

The State House with a big illuminated sign extending best wishes from Governor Curley seems to be in the characteristic Curley tradition.

The reservoir above Boulder Dam has already been stocked with game fish, so that the dam itself is no longer the only big one in that neighborhood.

Popular toys are imitation ma-chine guns and revolvers—but has any one ever marketed novelties in the form of imitation handcuffs and electric chairs?

It can be said, though, that if one's got to exile oneself from this Now of course, some of 'em can money enough to live comfortably, exile in.

Amiable visitor in the sanctum asked if we could tell why those European nations don't live together like brothers; and our answer was that they do live together like some brothers we have known.

The little town of Bethlehem seems not to have been very still and quiet, what with Coptic Christians and Italian pilgrims carrying the war from Africa into its sacred streets. Bishop Brooks, if living tomight have to rewrite his greatest hymn.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Welch of Nantasket have arrived at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., where they will stay during the winter months.

John "Jake" Fleck, son of Mrs. Delia Fleck of Allerton, is home for the Christmas holidays with the family at V Street. "Jake" made the trip over the road with Leo Curley, son of Governor Cur-ley, from Georgetown university where both are students.

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#### REPLIES TO CURLEY

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Special to Standard-Times

BOSTON, Dec. 26-WPA workers in Massachusetts who were without pay checks on Christmas day probably went without them because they failed to contact their paymasters before the holiday, rather than because Federal treasury authorities in Boston failed to issue them.

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### No Trouble Under E.R.A.

"We had no such trouble under the E.R.A." he said. "Then we had 14 regional centers for the payment of workers, and they got their money promptly.

"I do not know as yet how many of these people were disappointed over Christmas, but I do know that we cleared all but 25 minor payrolls before Sunday night. And the checks were issued promptly by the treasury officials. Of course, many of the workers had a half holiday Tuesday, and for that reason it was impossible for our pay-masters to reach them."

He said that more than 30,000 checks were written on Monday, and 59,000 more on Tuesday. The last of these were turned over to the WPA paymasters at 2 p. m. Tuesday. Continuing, Rotch said:

"Many of the complaints seem to be coming from WPA workers who do not realize that according to the regulations there should be a five-day gap between the end of their work week and their pay day. Because of the holidays, we were as liberal as was humanly possible in this respect, and pay rolls were made out up to and including Friday's time.

#### Expected Bonus

"But even men who were paid up to Friday night were looking for another check this week. Somewhere they got the idea that there was to be an extra one for them on Christmas eve. Of course, that was not the case."

Robert F. Cross, director of the WPA district four, which includes all of Plymouth, Bristol, Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket Counties, said he was confident that practically every worker in his entire district, with wages due, had been paid be-fore Christmas. In Hyannis where the only real difficulty arose, a late consignment of checks were distributed after 11 o'clock at night.

Orders for a drastic reduction of WPA administrative forces throughout the State came from Washington the day before Christmas and are to be carried out by the first of the year.

Rotch said that he expects to cut his administrative budget by about \$80,000 a month. Estimate was that nearly 1,000 men and women will be discharged at New Year's.

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### Curley's Change of Attitude

It is impossible to reconcile Governor Curley's latest utterance about the cotton textile industry in New England, with the attitude he displayed, and the opinions he voiced, last Spring and Summer when the plea of the industry for relief was being pressed at Washington.

At the recent Cote dinner in Fall River, the Governor was quoted as saying, apropos of conditions in the textile industry in such cities as Fall River, New Bedford, Lowell and Lawrence, that no one should blame either the federal or the state administration, but that the blame rested upon the "manufacturers, bankers and other leaders." In this connection he said that 20 years ago a rayon concern sought to locate in this city, but was unable to borrow money because of the opposition of cotton manufacturers and bankers.

The implication that the troubles of the cotton textile industry should be attributed to the faults of its management and of the bankers in textile communities, does not coincide with the Governor's active support of the New England Movement which was got under way in New Bedford last April. At that time he said there was need of action by Washington, and cited the wage differential as one of the serious handicaps under which the Northern section of the industry suffered

May 7 he told the Cabinet Committee that the reason that many mills moved South was not to be nearer the source of raw material, "but rather to escape the progressive, humane laws enacted for the protection of life and the health of workers in the North, plus a wage scale in keeping with the recognized American standard of living." He said the troubles confronting the textile industry in this section were more fundamental than the processing tax or the wage differential, and demanded administration action to safeguard it against Japanese competition. "It is exceedingly difficult for a New Englander to understand why persons interested in the conservation of the textile industry, a basic New England industry, should be required to come to Washington to submit facts as to why the industry should be preserved." He made a specific reference to the charge that New England mill management had permitted its equipment to become obsolescent, and denied the charge; adding that even if equipment were the most advanced to be found anywhere in the world, "it would be an impossibility, due to laws enacted for the conservation of the health, life and limb of the workers, plus an American standard of wages, to compete with the scale at present in operation in Japan and elsewhere."

August 22, after the Cabinet Committee had reported, Mr. Curley said a quota should be fixed for Japanese goods to make imports of them "negligible," or that the tariff should be made so high as practically to exclude them. As to the processing tax, he expressed his belief that the Supreme Court could be relied upon to declare it unconstitutional. And with reference to the wage differential between North and South, he thought the committee's proposal for a further study of this matter should "prove most beneficial."

In the Spring and Summer, as these quotations show, the Governor's attitude toward the New England textile industry was wholly sympathetic. He went to Washington to help it plead its case for remedial action. He recognized the threat of Japanese competition and demanded that the American cotton industry be protected against it. He recognized the handicap of higher wage levels in the North and of more progressive labor legislation in this section. It is true that he stressed the point that the ills under which the New England textile industry suffered ante-dated the Roosevelt administration, and spoke of the errors of the past "committed by those so long, and perhaps too long, in control of the industrial affairs of New England and the nation"; but the fact remains that he cited as factors in the distress of the industry in this section many things for which management was not responsible and which, alone, it was powerless to remedy.

Yet in Fall River his utterances, as reported, make no mention of these things, but convey the impression that the troubles of the industry in New England have been brought upon it by the manufacturers, bankers and other leaders. One can only wonder why the Governor has turned so cold toward an industry whose cause, a few months ago, he energetically espoused.

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Governor Curley Orders Full In-

The hopes of Herbert H. Mansfield, Jr., 19, former Providence restaurant worker, for a pardon grew stronger yesterday when it became known that the office of Governor James M. Curley of Massachusetts had ordered an investigation of his case.

Mansfield, who is serving a year's sentence in Bristol County Jail, New Bedford, on a charge of perjury and conspiracy to violate the marriage laws, petitioned the Governor for a pardon. He was indicted for his marriage to Gloria Rego, 15, of 174 Transit street at Seekonk in June. Miss Rego, who used the name of Vesta Jean Isherwood of Nantucket, Mansfield's former sweetheart, was similarly indicted. She was placed on probation.

The Governor's secretary said an investigation of the case had been ordered.

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### PAYSON SMITH "OUSTED"

(New York Times)

Failure of the executive council of Massachusetts to re-elect Dr. Payson Smith as State Commissioner of Education will give a shock to the educational world. He is held in high esteem by his profession. Last year at the con-vocation of the University of the State of New York, in urging more training of teachers in order to give children a better education, he said: "We must keep up the normal schools, not that the teacher may teach but that the child may learn." If he had stopped there, his chances for re-election as Commissioner might not have been impaired. But he added that "politicians" are liable to destroy our plans for normal schools, which are the center of the whole school system . .

Gov. Curley stated, according to the report, that he had conferred with the Democratic members of the council before its meeting and found that, with the exception of the Lieutenant-Governor, all were opposed to Dr. Smith. This would seem to indicate that "politics" had a determining part in the ousting of this veteran educator who has maintained the tradition of such great New England educators as Horace Mann, Henry Barnard and William T. Harris.

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Approximately 2790 workers went without their checks, Rotch stated, because the check machines in the disbursing offices became jammed, and because errors were discovered in 25 minor payrolls.

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Former Member of Governor's Council, Former Instructor in Good Citizenship, Presides as New Citizens Are Made in Naturalization Court

Judge J. Arthur Baker, who was Plunkett Junior High School occuernor James M. Curley, conducted a morrow. Court recessed at 1:30 for an afternoon session. Of the 76 dates arrived. candidates, 66 were admitted, some continued and others to be taken up the First this afternoon.

Judge Baker was welcomed by numerous members of the Berkshire Bar and other friends. It was his first appearance in Pittsfield in the robes of a judge. On the bench were two huge baskets of flowers the gifts of friends.

Of the applicants 66 were admitted to citizenship after questioning. Eight were continued for study, deposition or because of absence. None had been refused up to recess time.

Italy led the list of applicants with 31 and Great Britain was second with 18. Other countries represented were Albania, Greece, Spain, Portugal, Poland, Germany, Russia and Austria

Taught Citizenship

For many years Judge Baker has had naturalization as a hobby and was a pioneer in this field in the city. At the Y. M. C. A. he had classes for instruction and hundreds of men received there from him instruction in American ideals and standards of citizenship. He taught many men the language. It was more than a mere formality with him for he followed through until the men had obtained their naturalzation papers from the Superior Court.

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Two Sessions

As court opened at 9:30 this morning the candidates for citizenship filled the spectators' section. Members of the civics class conducted by Miss Mable B. Keegan at

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The Rev. C. R. Prewitt, pastor of Methodist Episcopal Church, offered the prayer. Among first members of the Bar to arrive were Judge William S. Morton, Registrar of Probate, and Attorney John B. Cummings. During the morning other attorneys and officials including Chief of Police John L. Sullivan paid respects to the recently robed judge.

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### Reconstruction of South End of Parkway Also Proposed

Governor Curiey is expected soon to accept or reject a big building plan for the protection of lowlands between and Winthrop from devastation by the sea.

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### Will Provide Sidewalks for Danger Spots

Comm. Callahan Announces 32 Projects Under Way in Effort to Put Stop to Increasing Accidents

(Special to The News)

State House, Boston, Dec. 26-In the area known as "the 20 worst accident spots" in Massachusetts where 386 pedestrians have been injured and 46 killed on state highways, there are 32 sidewalk projects under way as a "safety measure," Public Works Commissioner William F. Callahan said today.

Of these 32, the state public works department has 16 bond-issue projects in active operation, while the WPA has four. The state has com-WPA has four. The state has completed two, while the WPA has not finished any as yet. The state is planning eight more, while the WPA has two planned for this area.

Commissioner Callahan has just completed a survey of these "twenty worst spots" from the viewpoint of how pedestrians have fared on the

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### Curley Raises Voice Against WPA Policies

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## Sidewalk Projects at Worst Accident Spots

### "Twenty Worst Spots" in Massachusetts Are Named by Commissioner Callahan

(Special to The Post)

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 26 .- In the area known as "the 20 worst accident spots" in Massachusetts, where 386 pedestrians have been injured and 46 killed on state highways, there are 32 sidewalk projects underway as a "safety measure," Public Works Commissioner William F. Callahan sail today. Chelmsford—Four children and seven adults, with two deaths; two current state projects.

West Roxbury-Ten children and

six adults, with one death; one current state project.

Somerville-Seven children and 13

adults, with one death; one current

Revere—Twenty-two children and deaths; three

current state projects.

Braintree—Three children and 11

adults, with three deaths; one current

Attleboro-Five children and 15

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adults, with two deaths; one current

adults, with two deaths; one state pro-

North Chelmsford-Six children and

three adults, no deaths; one current

adults, with three deaths; one state project planned.

Wellesley—Four children and 14 adults, with three deaths; one current

Saugus—Two children and 13 adults

Andover-Three children and 12

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Of these 32, the State Public Works Department has 16 bond-issue projects in active operation, while the WPA has four. The state has completed two, while the WPA has not finished any as yet. The state is planning eight more, while the WPA has two planned for this area.

Commissioner Callahan has just completed a survey of these "20 worst spots" from the viewpoint of how pedestrians have fared on state highways which lack suitable sidewalk pro-A two-year period of 1933 and 1934 showed surprising facts, he

said. In these 20 towns alone, there have been accidents to 130 children and to 256 adults. In 17 of the towns, there were 46 deaths in that two-year

"This is a fairly conclusive answer to those who say the highway side-walks are not needed," commented the commissioner, who said that both Goy. Curley and he feel that the accident and death rate can be cut down sharply in coming years, after the sidewalks are in use.

The survey made by Commissioner Callahan shows the number of accidents to children and adults in each of the 20 towns, with an analysis of the sidewalk projects as a preventa-

Methuen — Six children and 22 adults hurt, with six deaths; one WPA sidewalk project in operation.

North Attleboro-Four children and 10 adults, and one death; WPA plans

Chicopee—Ten childen and four adults, no deaths; one WPA project

state each have one project in opera-tion, and the state has a second one

Brockton—Nine children and seven adults, with three deaths; WPA and state each have one project in opera-tion, and the state has three more planned.

In each of the following 14 communities, the WPA has no program, but the state bond issue money is being used or planned for sidewalk pro-

Brookline-Accidents to four chil-

Dedham—Five children and 11 adults, with five deaths; state has finished one project, has two in operation, and one planned.

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## CURLEY HITS WPA IN PAYROLL ROW

### Criticizes 'Abject Failure' In Creating Projects

Works Progress Administration was criticized tonight by Governor Curley for its "abject failure to properly function not only in the matter of creation of works projects but in the matter of approving pay-

Arthur G. Rotch, State WPA Administrator, said tonight that WPA workers who did not receive pay checks before Christmas went without them because they failed to contact their paymasters rather than because Federal Treasury authorities in Boston did not issue

He admitted he had received complaints of failure to pay some workers, but said the critics were inclined to attribute the situation to the new "centralized method" of issuing the checks.

The Governor charged that "in every section of Massachusetts and in many other sections of the Nation worthy citizens in dire need have been required to pass through the season of 'Peace on earth to men of good will' without receipt of the money due them for labor performed, ranging from one to six weeks.

The Governor, in a radio address cited this condition in support of contention planning boards were needed throughout the nation.

BOSTON, Dec. 25 (AP) - The

tive, as follows:

planned.

Randolph—Twelve children and 15 adults, with six deaths; WPA and

dren and 24 adults, and one death; one state sidewalk completed.

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## Alienists Are Named To Examine Gardner

Drs. A. Warren Stearns and L. Vernon Briggs to Conduct Tests on "Firebug"

(Special to The Post)

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 26.—Drs. A. Warren Stearns, former state commissioner of correction, and L. Vernon Briggs, noted alienist, have been assigned to examine Henry Gardner, Worcester firebug, for whom a commutation of prison sentence was recommended to the Governor and Council, it was learned today.

According to officials at the Worcester State Hospital, Gardner is not a pyromaniac. Dr. Francis H. Sleeper, assistant superintendent, in a recent interview, said, "The word pyromaniac is used loosely not only by the layman, but by the medical fraternity as well."

Pyromania is defined by Webster as "an insane disposition toward incendiarism." Gardner was found sane and was examined by competent psychiatrists. Dr. Sleeper said, "I would not call the man a pyromaniac." If he had been found a victim of insane incendiarism by the psychiatrists, he would have been confined to the Worcester State Hospital for an indefinite period, officials said. According to Dr. Sleeper, pyromaniacs are rare.

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## CURLEY FILLS \$207.36 CHRISTMAS BASKET GAP

BOSTON, Dec. 26 (INS) — Governor Curley dug into his pocket for \$207.36 this afternoon because contributions for the 2731 Christmas baskets distributed through his office showed a deficit. A total of 7650 requests for baskets were received by the Governor, but all but 2731 of the applicants were cared for by other agencies.

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## Shoe Workers Ask Ouster of Goodwin

### Curley Will Hear What Goodwin Has to Say

BOSTON, Dec. 26 (P)—Governor James M. Curley took official notice today of a protest of Haverhill shoe workers who urged the ouster of Frank A. Goodwin, registrar of motor vehicles.

"I will take the matter up with Mr. Goodwin and see what he has to say about it," Gov. Curley commented.

A committee of Haverhill shoe workers in a telegram signed by Hugh J. Kelleher and Clarence P. Tracy, demanded speedy action by the Governor to remove Goodwin for his "un-American and anti-labor activities." The workers said they resented Goodwin's activities and intervention into Haverhill industrial affairs and the misuse of a high public office.

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Goodwin spoke in Haverhill several nights ago urging Haverhill shoe workers to join the Brockton Brotherhood of Shoe and Allied Craftsmen of which Goodwin is an unpaid advisor.

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### Rotch Replies to Curley's Attack

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## THE SENATOR SAYS:

## New Prison Might Win If Solons Got Inside

Sage Suggests a Touch of Ancient Cells to Stir Votes Of Lawmakers

THE SENATOR:

He sees all and knows all that's going on in Massachusetts politics and most of it he finds amusing or amazing, often both. Best of all, he tells about it.

Meet him below and listen in with him regularly in the Boston Evening American and Boston Sunday Advertiser.

The Senator comes in looking as glum and forsaken as a cold boiled potato and he has his overcoat all buttoned up about him like he is cold.

"Merry day-after-Christmas, Senator," says Timmy. "Have you got a bad cold?"

"Thanks, Timmy," says The Sena-"I have not got a cold."

The Senator may not have a cold but it is easy to see he is a very subdued man like something secret and terrible has come into his life.

"No death in the family is there," Senator?" asks Timmy.

"No, no. No, indeed," says The Senator. "By the way, here are a few cigars for the boys."

The Senator produces a box of cigars and all of the boys take one because they do not wish to offend The Senator, although everybody knows these are not

agricually

such a cigar as should be smoked on account of they are a

"Timmy," says The Senator, "éo you know how many Christmas present. Christmas cards Governor Jim sent out? No, you do not know, so I will tell you. Governor Jim sent out almost 10,000 Christmas cards. That is a lot of Christmas cards and it must be difficult keeping this list from one year to another."

Everybody agrees that Governor Jim has sent himself out a lot of Christmas cards but still The Senator does not order any drink for himself or any of the boys who are itching to have the same. He is just sitting there gazing in a blank at the row of bottles. Some of the boys light up The Senator's

cigars and take a puff but even this does not explain why The Senator is as animated as a cold boiled potato.

## **Dropped From Custom House**

"Timmy," says The Senator, "inasmuch as you have expressed a great interest in the subject, I will tell you some more about the 100-year-old wrought iron beds which Doc Washburn bought for the poor on Long Island to sleep on and which he says are so strong they can be tossed out of windows. The Doc has summoned a battery of iron workers to do a job of welding on many of these beds. Somebody dropped a crate of them off the Custom House tower."

The Senator's cigars die a natural death from lack of breath in them and Timmy opens the transom to air out, but still The Senator is looking like a cold boiled potato and does not order himself a drink or one for the boys. It is easy to see The

"Timmy," says The Senator, "the commissioner of correc-Senator has a plague. tions, Arthur T. Lyman, who has not yet been reappointed by Governor Jim, is getting a rotten break in that prison trouble, which is just so much ammunition for the few who are trying to prevent his reappointment. So is Warden Frank Lanagan.

"The main trouble at the prison is the prison itself because I would not send my dog there if he bit my grandchild, it is that bad, and if we do not get a new prison there is going to be a real trouble over there some day. This is the fault of the boys in the Legislature who do not have to live in the prison. But if some of them get caught, maybe we will have a new prison that the prisoners will be content to stay in with-

"Behind the main trouble is the general tightening up of out killing the guards. the parole system for which the public should give a large vote of thanks. The day has passed when the governor's council, full of large Parker House steaks and puffing on cigars, votes freedom for a lot of convicts who have been bled white by lawyers.

Ready to Offer Reward

"I will tell you something about Lyman and I will probably have my ear taken off for telling the yarn. After the convicts killed that guard the other night, he was so burned up he wanted to offer a large chunk of his personal fortune as a reward for their quick capture. He mulled it over a long time and was about to do it when it suddenly occurred to him that some folks would misinterpret his action as a political play for favor. So he didn't do it. And maybe he was right, at

It is easy to see The Senator is worried because maybe his friend Commissioner Lyman will not be reappointed but even that." this does not explain the way The Senator is acting, because he is hugging into his overcoat and is not ordering a drink of any kind, and he does not even notice that Timmy is airing out the

"Timmy," says The Senator, very glum like a cold boiled place after his cigars. potato, "if Mayor Freddie is successful in consolidating all those city departments, the man you will probably see at the head of them is Colonel Thomas F. Sullivan, the transit expert. However, Mayor Freddie will be bumping into a lot of trouble before he brings this off, even though the bankers and the Chamber of Commerce boys are for it.

"The Innes group is grooming Ward 4 City Councillor George Roberts to run against Hankus Pankus Parkman in the third Sena-

"Senator," says Timmy, not being able to stand it any longer, what ails you? You look like the chief mourner. Why don't you

"Timmy," says The Senator, "I guess I will have a little somehave a little something?" thing. I will have an egg drink—any kind of egg drink, Timmy."

Timmy fixes The Senator a nice egg drink and then suddenly everything is explained. Before he drinks the nice egg drink, The Senator unbuttons his overcoat to expose his tie.

"I positively had to wear it once," apologizes The Senator as Timmy reaches for his smoked glasses.

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# WPALayoff Blasted by Curley

## ROTCH TOLD TO "RESIGN"

While Governor Curley called upon him to resign, State WPA Administrator Arthur G. Rotch today explained the payless Christmas of WPA workers in various cities throughout the state.

Workers who formed lines awaiting their pay in the cities did so under a misunderstanding, Rotch said, in defending his administration.

Governor Curley, in a Christmas raido speech, blasted Rotch and said he should resign instead of laying off 1000 "white collar" employes of the WPA administrative force.

The workers who were unpaid on the holiday, Rotch said, did not have money coming to them, while 74,000 of the 77,000 who had money due them were paid on Monday and Tuesday.

The state administrator said he kept his office forces working over the week-end to get the payrolls made out, and all payrolls were disposed of with the exception of about 25 small ones.

CURLEY'S BLAST

Governor Curley took a fling at

Governor Curley took a fling at Harry L. Hopkins, federal relief administrator, for the failure to remove Rotch at the demand of Massachusetts political leaders. "I think it is outrageous for

"I think it is outrageous for the administration to continue a man in charge of this important program after he has repeatedly proven himself utterly incapable of discharging the duties entrusted to him," said Curley. "It is a terrific burden to im-

"It is a terrific burden to impose upon the people of Massachusetts this unwarranted continuance in office of a man who is simply unable to comprehend the task before him and is lacking in the capacity to administer this relief program properly.

"He ought to resign instead of asking anyone else to get through."

The proposed dropping of 1000 persons from the administrative offices of the WPA in this state was ordered from Washington in a drastic effort to cut down the overhead. The order becomes effective next week.

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## Curley Fund Gives 2731 Baskets

A total of 2731 Christmas baskets were distributed to needy families through the organization hastily formed at the State House by Governor Curley, it was learned today.

Mrs. Agnes Parker, whom the Governor named as head of the organization, today reported a checkup of 7650 requests was made with all other agencies to avoid duplication.

The total amount collected, plus 625 baskets at \$3 each, was \$6110.64, leaving a deficit of \$207.36, which the governor will take care of personally

More than one-third of the requests came from heads of families who, the governor said, were unable to provide for themselves due to failure of the WPA authorities to take care of payrolls.

An audit of the receipts and expenditures, the governor said, will be made of the Christmas basket fund by the State Commission on Administration and Finance.

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### Curley on Job Despite Doctor

Governor Curley today again defied the orders of his physician, Dr. Martin J. English, and went to the State House, suffering from a heavy cold.

The Governor said he planned to go home early, however.

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### Goodwin Protest Action by <u>Curley</u>

Governor Curley revealed today he plans to take up with Registray of Motor Vehicles Frank A. Good win the protest wired him by a committee of Haverhill shoe workers

They condemned Goodwin's participation in a labor controversy n that city.

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## McGrath to Direct Roosevelt Ball

Governor Curley today designated City Councillor Joseph McGrath, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, as active head of the committee in this state to arrange for a local President's ball.

McGrath, the Governor said, will be assisted by all important federal, state and municipal Democratic office holders. The ball is scheduled for January 30 at Boston Garden.

# WPA PAY PROTEST SPREADS

## To 'Resign' By Curley

## "RED-TAPE" ASSAILED

The storm of protest against Arthur G. Rotch, State head of the WPA, and against the pay system, which has been building up since before Christmas, reached gale proportions to-

Governor Curley called on Rotch to resign.

Local disbursing agents disclaimed all responsibility for the payless Christmas which workers in their districts faced.

They blamed Rotch and red tape. Rotch explained the fact that 2790 pay checks which were to have been sent out in time for Christmas were not delivered by saying that both check-writing machines jammed at the last

But paymasters in the various districts said they didn't care why the checks weren't paid. They only knew that their workers went home

without pay or food.

In Framingham, 249 workers stood in line from 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon until 2 o'clock Christ-

### Told "No Money"

Then they were told that there was no money for them. They were given \$5 welfare food orders and sent home.

In Agawam, which is not paid Rotch Told out of the Springfield district, 280 workers, many of whom had worked all day in the bitter cold, stood in all day in the bitter cold, stood in line for hours and then were told that there was no money for them. The Agawam welfare department

gave them food orders.

In Holyoke workers stood in line until 8:30 Tuesday night before they were paid. Then they received only a small amount each.

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Many of them had put in a long day, and finally had to drop out of the line and go home payless.

Springfield paid off 2700 workers, but not until a special messenger had been dispatched to the money, which represents the money, which represents the money, which represents the money which r Boston for the money, which represented from four to six weeks

### 2900 Checks Due

In Essex County 2900 checks which were due were not received. Of that number about 500 were in Salem. Local officials blamed Bos-

ton authorities.
At 9 o'clock Tuesday night food orders were issued, but so late was the announcement made that only about a dozen workers arrived to claim them.

Mayor George J. Bates of Salem said that he was sure that Rotch was doing all he could.

Daniel J. Lynch, in charge of Medford disbursing, paid out all but 75. Those checks he later delivered in person.

In Melrose everyone was paid. By a previous arrangement, the fire department blew whistles when the checks arrived.

### Pay Period Ends

In Everett everyone was paid. but only for the pay week ending December 12. Another pay period

ends today. Checks are not ready.

Malden WPA checks arrived in
the afternoon. The office closed at 6 o'clock in the evening. George E. Blakesley took the remaining checks home and pinned a notice to his door that he would pay them there.

where workers In Haverhill, were not paid for Christmas, Mayor George B. Dalrymple called on all Massachusetts mayors to protest to Washington against the setup of

the WPA system here.

He called the failure of the workers to receive their money "the last

Governor Curley, in a Christmas speech, said that instead of laying off 1000 white collar workers, as the WPA plans to do Rotch should resign, instead.

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### **Curley to Join** Theta Kappa Phi

Opening of the 10th annual convention of the Theta Kappa Phi fraternity tomorrow night at the Hotel Manger will be featured by the initiation of Governor Curley into this Catholic order.

Delegates from all over the country will administer the second and third degrees to the governor. He will later deliver an address before the convention, which will last for three days.

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## FIGHT TO KEEP MORAN AT POST

### Ruling on Conroy Helps Democratic Defense

Democratic defenses against any

pointed to the Industrial Accident Board by Gov Curley. Although it is a full time job, Conroy declined to resign his Senatorship, but stated that he would

compromise candidate for the Presidency, has been bitterly attacked by members of his own party during the past year. At one time an effort was made to read him out of the was made to read him out of the party, and there are rumors to the effect that fellow Republicans will seek to have him removed and a new president elected next Wednes-

pay from the Industrial Accident board, and last week the board voted to grant the leave if it lay within its power.

its power.

The Attorney General's ruling, which will keep the Democratic total in the Senate to 19 as against 21 nominal Republicans, said that the board could legally grant such absence "if in the exercise of its judgment it determines that it will be rather than detrimental thereto."

In his ruling, Atty Gen Dever said: "The acceptance of such a temporary leave will not indicate an intent upon the part of the officeholder

tent upon the part of the officeholder to abandon his office, and lacking such an intent no vacancy therein will be worked. When services are not required of an officer for a temporary period, the fact that he performs no services for that period does not constitute an abandonment of his officer work is a constitute of his officer work in the services. of his office, nor is his action under such circumstances a violation of the provision contained in the applicable statute that members of the board 'shall devote their whole time in business hours to the work of the board.'"

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## **CURLEY ASSAILS** W. P. A. DELAY

### Declares Many Left in **Need Over Christmas**

Because the W. P. A. did not effort to oust Senator James G. Mo. Munction properly in approving ran of Mansfield from the presidency of the State Senate next Wednesday, when the Legislature reconvenes, were strengthened this afternoon when Atty Gen Paul A. Dever advised the State Industrial Accident mas season without "the receipt of leave of absence to Senator William S. Conroy of Fall River."

Industrial Accident mas season without "the receipt of the money due them for labor performed, ranging from one to six S. Conroy of Fall River.

Senator Conroy, a Democrat, was appointed to the Industrial Accident Reard by Gov Curley Although it audience in a Christmas broadcast last night.

He said the "abject failure" of that he would not accept thep ay.
Senator Moran, a Republican, and not only in the matter of creation of work projects but also in the matter of approving payrolls pointed to the need of planning boards by the nation, state and subdivisions of states.

#### Planning Boards Essential

"Planning boards are in no sense A few weeks ago Senator Conroy an innovation in the conduct of asked for a leave of absence without either business enterprise or of goveither business enterprise or of government itself," he said. "It is accepted that in business no concern conducting its activities on a major scale could survive for a definite period of time without intelligent long. time planning.

The Governor defended the so-called "Brain Trust" as an essential institution for thoughtful planning. He said that the creation of the Federal Planning Board or the so-called "Brain Trust" has resulted in the presentation of a program of social

The Governor told of the establishment in Boston 13 years ago of the George Robert White Health Fund Units and said that since 1925 Boston has held first place in public health among 11 of the major cities of the nation,

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## **GOV CURLEY TO BE** INITIATED TOMORROW

Gov Curley will be initiated into the Theta Kappa Phi Fraternity to-morrow night at the Hotel Manger at the opening session of the 10th annual convention of this Catholic college fraternity.

The Governor will be given the second and third degrees by a special degree team of delegates from chapters all over the country. After the initiation, Gov Curley will deliver the opening address of the convention which will last three days. Sessions will be held in Boston, Worcester and Durham, N H

The convention will close Sunday in Durham. Gov H. Styles Bridges will deliver the closing address.

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## COMPULSORY, SAYS ROTCH

### So Explains White-Collar Transfers, Discharges

Declining this noon any comment upon Goy Curley's proposal that he retire forwith from the State P. W. A. administratorship, Arthur G. Rotch explained the reason, which he said is compulsory upon him, for rischarge or transfer of scores of white-collar workers, so-called, from the clerical staff.

Administrator Rotch said that from 5 to 6 percent of his allotments, to date, have been apportioned in salaries and wages to this group, but that now this allotment has been by Washington orders reduced to 2½ percent. Thus he must either transfer to regular works projects many of

these clerical workers, or else drop them from the rolls, he said. Pay checks for 79,000 persons on the rolls cleared his office y Christmas Eve he said, but 2790 other checks did not get through because of a breakdown of the chesk-writing ma-chine. And in the cases of scores for chine. And in the cases of scores for whom checks were ready, Mr Rotch claims, the paymasters were unable to contact the persons for whom the checks are intended.

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## YOUNG DEMOCRATS SELLING GOV CURLEY JACKSON DAY BALL TICKETS



Gov Curley buying four tickets today to Jackson Day ball from Young Democrats. will be held at the Copley-Plaza Jan 8. Left to right are Mrs Barney McCormick, Gov Curley, Margaret Reardon, Miriam Greene, Mary Moran and Mrs Leon J. Kowal. Boston Mass.

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### WAKEFIELD W. P. A. MAN THANKS GOV CURLEY

Gov Curley this afternoon received a letter from J. Henry Morgan, engineer in charge of W. P. A. projects in Wakefield, in which Mr Morgan said:

"I wish to extend to you the sea-"I wish to extend to you the season's greetings and profound thanks of 500 W. P. A. workers in Wakefield for your successful efforts in making it possible for these people to procure their wages which were five weeks overdue."

weeks overdue.
"Due to Your Excellency's interest in this matter, Wakefield's W. P. A. workers were paid on Saturday, Dec

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### GOVERNOR CONTINUES ATTACK ON W. P. A. METHODS

Gov Curley continued his attack on the W. P. A. administration in this on the W. F. A. administration in this state today, when he announced that of the 2731 Christmas baskets distributed to needy families through his office yesterday, one-third of them went to the heads of families who had foiled to receive evergue W. P. A.

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The Governor said that the total requests for baskets was 7650, but that

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cost of \$3 each.

The total amount collected was \$6110.64, a report submitted by Mrs.
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## ASK REMOVAL OF GOODWIN

Haverhill Shoe Workers Write to Governor

Gov Curley announced today that he had received a protest from a group of Haverhill shoe workers demanding the removal of Registra of Motor Vehicles Frank A. Goodwin, and that he would discuss the matter with Mr Goodwin answering the complaint.

The shoeworkers protested that Mr Goodwin abused his public office and made speeches assailing the American Trade Union. They demanded his removal as "tax payers, honest citizens and honest laborers."

## SIDEWALK PROJECTS FOR "20 WORST SPOTS"

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"This is a fairly conclusive an-"This is a fairly conclusive answer to those who say that highway sidewalks are not needed," declared Commissioner Callahan, adding that both Gov Curley and he feel that the accident and death rate can be cut down sharply in the coming years after the sidewalks are in use.

The survey made by Commissioner

The survey made by Commissioner Callahan shows the number of accidents to children and adults in each of the 20 towns, with an analysis of the sidewalk projects as a preventa-tive measure. The commissioner pointed out that these accidents and deaths to pedestrians were confined exclusively to state highways, largely without sidewalks, and had no relation to city and town streets. Here is the result of the two-year survey: Methuen—Six children and 22 adults

hurt, with six deaths; one W. P. A.

sidewalk project in operation.

Watertown — Five children and eight adults, no deaths; one current

W. P. A. sidewalk project.

North Attleboro—Four children and

10 adults, and one death; W. P. A. plans one project.
Chicopee—Ten children and four adults, no deaths; one W. P. A. proj-

Randolph-Twelve children and 15 adults, with six deaths; W. P. A. and state each have one project in operation, and the state has a second one

Brockton-Nine children and seven adults with three deaths; W. P. A. and state each have one project in operation and the state, has three more planned.

Only State Projects Here

In each of the following 14 comarea known as "the 20 worst accident munities the W. P. A. has no program, but the state bond issue money

sioner William F. Callahan of the State Department of Public Works dren and 24 adults, and one death;

two current state projects.
West Roxbury—Ten children and six adults, with one death; one current state project.
Somerville—Seven children and 13

adults, with one death; one current state project.

Revere-Twenty-two children and 36 adults, with three deaths; three

current state projects.

Braintree—Three children and 11 adults, with three deaths; one current

state project.
Attleboro—Five children and 15 adults, with two deaths; one current state project.

Billerica-Five children and 15 adults, with two deaths; one state project planned.

North Chelmsford-Six children and three adults, no deaths; one current state project.

Auburn-Four children and 10 adults, with three deaths; one state project planned.

Wellesley-Four children and 14 adults, with three deaths; one current state project.

Saugus—Two children and 13 adults, with three deaths; one current state project.

Andover-Three children and 12

adults, with one death; one state project planned.

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## **CURLEY ADVOCATES** NATIONALPLANNING

Praises 'Brain Trust' for Security Program

The need for national planning by a "brain trust" was stressed last night by Gov. Curley in a Christmas

"In America," he said, "while we rejoice that the hation is free of war . . . and that there is indication that we are emerging from the industrial depression that has plagued America for nearly six years, we are nevertheless painfully aware of the poor and the unfortunate . . destined to continue with us until such time as through the exercise of wisdom and courage we create an economic condition that will represent recognition of the fact that without God nothing is possible and at with God nothing is impossible.

"In other words, a more potent admixture of spiritual idealism with our material progress. The first and to my mind the most important and long delayed step is represented by the creation both by nation, state and subdivisions of states of what is own as planning boards.'

Referring to WPA salary difficulties in Massachusetts, the Governor

"The necessity for such an organization has been amply demonstrated during the past six weeks in the subject of the failure of the works progress administration to properly function not only in the matter of the creation of works projects but in the matter of approving payrolls, with the result that in every section of Massachusetts and in many other sections of the country worthy citizens in dire need have been required to pass through the season of 'peace on earth to men of good will' without the receipt of money due them for work performed."

The Governor gave the federal planning board or "brain trust" all the credit for the country's new social security program, with its assurance not only for the aged, but also for the blind and the crippled.

## Up and Down Beacon Hill

Speedy Investigation

Boston's political circles are distinctly surprised at the speed and thoroughness with which alleged school graft case is being pressed. Charges of graft and job selling are not unusual, but it is seldom that they lead to any substantial developments or revelations.

In the present instance, however, the charges have been investigated and indictments voted almost overnight. This has been all the more unexpected as the probe promises to strike at officials high in the school

system.

Political observers believe that there is more behind the case than appears on the surface. The key to the situation is undoubtedly to be found in local politics, more especially in the mayoral fight of two years ago, and the one to be fought two years hence. The vigorous prosecution of the case is seen as an effort to build up the popularity of one candidate while discrediting another.

Old Scores Recalled

In the close mayoralty fight of 1933, the present District Attorney, William J. Foley, lost the election by some 10,000 votes. It has been estimated that a large number of these were lost in South Boston through the efforts of Dr. Charles E. Mackey, member of the Boston School Committee. District Attorney Foley is reported to have felt very strongly his rejection by a district that he considered his stronghold and upon which he depended to give him a strong lead. It is not unnatural therefore that Mr. Foley should feel an interest in vigorously prosecuting a case, which may conceivably, through reflecting discredit on the School Committee also reflect on a man whom he holds partly responsible for his defeat.

The Next Election

It is probable, however, that there is more behind Mr. Foley's determination to push the investigation than merely a desire to repay old political wounds. If Mr. Foley decides to be a candidate again for Mayor, one of his strongest opponents will probably be Maurice J. Tobin, also a member of the School Committee.

Any irregularities which can be proved in regard to the administration of school affairs, even though the School Committee knew nothing about them, is sure to reflect upon every member of that body. If, in the next mayoral campaign, it is impossible to accuse Mr. Tobin of being implicated in job selling, it will be possible to charge him with not knowing what was transpiring in his department. It will be an unusual campaign if these charges of incompetance are not hurled.

Campaign Contributions Charges of job selling and forcing employees of city departments to contribute to the campaign funds of officials of these departments are not infrequent in most cities where

bolitical posts are regarded as sources of revenue, rather than as public trusts. Yet the flood of public interest, as expressed in the newspapers, has been astounding in this case. Boston has always taken great pride in its school system, and has always been most generous in its appropriations to it. It is only natural, therefore, that when charges are made of maladministration that the citizens of Boston demand that they be cleared up at once Whitewash Impossible

It is clear that, even though influence were brought to bear upon District Attorney Foley to "sandbag" the probe, and such influence is most likely in a case involving so much local politics, he could not do so without discrediting himself irrevocably in the eyes of the voters of Boston.

District Attorney Foley has, on the other hand, the chance to win for himself some of that favorable publicity that all politicians dream about. Many a successful man in public life has used the cleaning up of graft as a springboard to higher office. With his name on the front page of every paper and with the cleaning up of a situation close to the heart of every parent in Boston to his credit, Mr. Foley has the opportunity to pick up many of those 10,000 votes at the next mayoral J. G. H. election in 1937.

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### Curley-His Holiday Project Brought in \$6110

Governor Curley expressed delight today with results of his private Christmas basket project. He received \$6110, he announced today, and with the aid of his office workers and friends, distributed 2731 baskets.

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GOVERNOR HAS QUIET CHRISTMAS AT HOME

Gov. Curley passed a quiet Christmas yesterday, seeing all of his children and receiving a few personal friends. In the morning he attended mass at the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes in Jamaica Plain with members of his family.

He called on his daughter, Mrs. Edward C. Donnelly, and then went to Calvary cemetery to place wreaths on the graves of his wife and children there. He lunched at home and spent the rest of the day there, only leaving to give a short radio broad-

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## Light Rates—Sliding Scale Gets Indorsement

Governor Curley in his 1934 inaugural message favored the sliding scale system of public utility rate making, gas and electricity. The case was weakened by lack of concrete proof of possible savings it would provide for Massachusetts consumers. Today the Public Franchise League produced that proof.

In a memorandum sent to the special commission studying the sliding scale plan, the league pointed to a possible 11½ per cent saving for Worcester Electric Light Company customers had the system been employed in 1934.

The league revealed that during 1932, 1933, and 1934 the company paid \$9,480,000 in dividends on a total capital investment of \$4,058,232, an average annual dividend of 19.5 per cent. A \$2,250,000 surplus was also accumulated. Excessive rates were pointed out as making this possible.

The report continued, in part:
"If the rates of the company in
1934 had been computed upon the
money actually invested in the company by its stockholders, the domestic and commercial consumers
would have received an annual reduction from the actual 1934 rate of
11 per cent . . the company
would still have earned 12 per cent
upon the invested capital.
"... If any sliding scale is to be

recommended, it should be so designed that the rates . . . will permit the company to earn enough to assure sufficient service to the public, and to permit the payment in dividends of a fair return upon the money invested in the business by the stockholders—but no more."

Public Franchise League's new device for municipally-owned power plants: Page 5.

### WPA-Check Writing Machine Holds Up Pay

It was hard today to sift political rumor from fact in reports of WPA workers not receiving checks in time

for Christmas. Breakdown on Tuesday of a check writing machine was blamed today by Arthur G. Rotch, WPA chief, for delay in issuance of son c checks, but he said that only 2790 were held up while 75,000 were issued

Chief contributing difficulty to the situation seems to have been widely circulated reports, published prior to Christmas, that all WPA workers in the state would receive pay before the holiday. As a consequence a large proportion of the 120,000 on WPA rolls expected checks. As a matter of fact, Mr. Rotch said today, only some 77,000

actually had checks coming to them, but when the others did not receive their pay they clamored about pay windows and plainly indicated their disappointment at not receiving money.

Governor Curley learned of their disappointment and went on the radio last night to assail what he considered Mr. Rotch's failure to properly pay those on the WPA. Mr. Rotch's explanation was given this morning.

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# CURLEY BLASTS ROTCH

## Calls Upon Him to Quit Job Rather Than Fire 1000

Incensed by the Christmas Eve breakdown of the federal relief administration here which forced thousands of Massachusetts WPA workers to go payless over the holiday, Governor Curley last night called upon Relief Administrator Arthur G. Rotch to resign himself instead of ordering the discharge of 1000 "white-collared" men and women for New Year's Day.

### RETENTION "OUTRAGEOUS"

The Governor took a fling at the refusal of Federal Relief Administrator Harry L. Hopkins to heed the demands from Massachusetts political leaders for the removal of State Administrator Rotch from his position here. The retention of Mr. Rotch by the administration was characterized by the Governor as "outrageous."

as "outrageous,"
"I think it is outrageous for the administration," he stated, "to continue a man in charge of this important programme after he has repeatedly proven himself utterly incapable of discharging the duties entrusted to him,

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### Police at Portland Search Trains for Killers

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 25 (AP)—Police searched trains and buses from Boston without success tonight for Edward Guarnelli, 26, and Antonio Repucci, 25, who shot and killed a prison guard in Boston Monday.

Sergeant Harold K. Maguire said the search followed word from the warden of the Massachusetts State prison at Charlestown that the fugitives, on whose heads Governor James M. Curley of Massachusetts put a price of \$1000 each, were believed to be on a train due here at 7:10 p. m.

A police squad went through the train, found no trace of the men, but interviewed a passenger who said two men, apparently of Latin extraction, who disembarked at Portsmouth, N. H., had talked familiarly of the Charlestown penitentiary, Maguire said.

#### Imposes Burden Upon People

"It is a terrific burden to impose upon the people of Massachusetts this unwarranted continuance in office of a man who is simply unable to comprehend the task before him and is lacking in the capacity to administer this relief programme properly.

gramme properly.

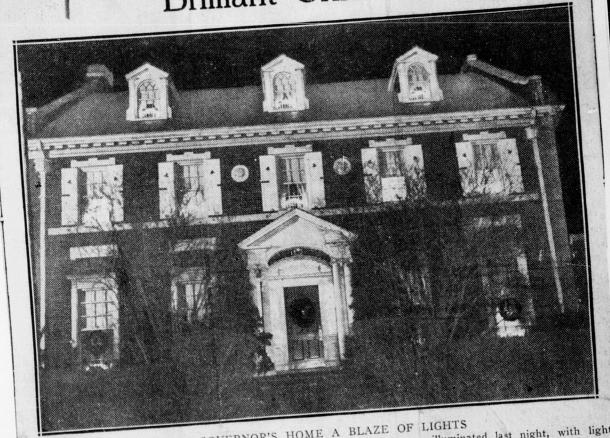
"He ought to resign instead of asking anyone else to get through," said the Governor in commenting on the proposed discharge of 1000 more workers on New Year's Day, mostly men and women 'm clerical and other jobs who, it is claimed, might well be transferred to the paymasters and the accounting divisions

#### From One to Six Weeks

"We have seen in the past six weeks," said the Governor, "the abject failure of the works progress administration to function properly, not only in the matter of the creation of works projects but in the matter of approving payrolls with the result that in every section of Massachusetts, worthy citizens in dire need have been required to pass through the season of 'Peace on earth to men of good will' without the receipt of money due them for labor performed, ranging from one to six weeks."

Because of the failure of the WPA to pay off its workers here, the Governor said that of the 3200 families to whom he supplied Christmas dinners, half of them were victims of the unfair and incapable relief administration.

## Greater Boston Illuminated by Brilliant Christmas Displays



THE GOVERNOR'S HOME A BLAZE OF LIGHTS Here is the handsome Jamaicaway mansion of Governor Curley, as it was illuminated last night, with lights

Brilliant, multi-colored lights, gaily proclaiming the joy of Christmas seemed to cover Boston and its suburbs last night-the greatest Yule

urbs last night—the greatest Yule illumination in years.

Stars of Bethlehem gleamed over doorways and georgeous trees. Some yards had as many as three and four trees, all covered with colored lights. The illumination was especially fine last night in Jamaica Plain, along the Fenway and the Arborway, one of the sights being the yard and home of Governor Curley, at Moraine street, and the Jamaicaway.

The Tomasello homes—those of Joseph A. and Samuel, also in Jamaica Plain, were brilliantly illuminated, each of them having several trees in the yard. The home of Joseph is at 230 Pond street and Samuel's home at 41 Arborway.

In the downtown section police head-quarters in Berkeley street was alive with electrical candles from top to bot-tom. A statistically inclined person discovered that nearly 2000 bulbs gleamed from the windows of police headquarters. The State House and City Hall also were agleam.

As usual, brilliant illuminations were to be seen through the Newtons, Rox-bury, Medford, Cambridge, Somerville and Ariington.

The State House shone behind a bril-liant electric sign which glared forth

The State House shone behind a brilliant electric sign which glared forth the greetings of the Commonwealth, the signature of Governor Curley appearing in huge facsimile on the bottom. The Boston City Hall was also lighted

Suburbanites transformed their lighted. dens into bowers of lights and trees.
All over Greater Boston hundreds of automobilists took advantage to drive around to see the displays.

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POLICE HEADQUARTERS ILLUMINATED FOR CHRISTMAS

Here is a view of Boston police headquarters, on Berkeley street, with electric candles in most of the windows, illuminated for the Christmas season.

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## **CONVICTS NOW** WELL ARMED

## Underworld Tip Says They Raided Gun Shop---Also Supplied With Money by Girl Friend

### BY LESTER ALLEN

On a direct tip from an underworld leader that the two escaped convicts, Edward Guarnelli and Antonio Repucci, who killed Guard Walter R. Doucette of State prison Monday night, have armed themselves by looting an ammunition store, Boston detectives hunting for the killers were last night equipped with bullet-proof vests. They also located a girl believed to have supplied Guarnelli with money.

### GIRLS' HOMES WATCHED

The tip from the underworld source received by police of the North End station disclosed that because of the nature of their crime the two killers, who overpowered and killed Doucette in a taxicab as he was taking them from Dedham Court to the state prison, have been denied shelter by their underworld friends and from now on are liable to betrayal from their own former companions.

As Boston, Everett and Revere police watched the homes of two girls with whom the missing men had been ex-changing letters, Boston detectives working with Newton police set a watch on a Newton mansion, to which telephone calls by Guarnelli had been traced, and where a former sweetheart of the killer is employed.

The girl, police declare, has supplied The girl, police declare, has supplied Guarnelli with money. As a result of the information that directed police surveillance to the Newton girl, Sergeant James V. Crowley dropped the probe of the Rhode Island clues to the present whereabouts of Guarnelli, and began a search for the girl in Everett,

### Guard on Newton Mansion

Meanwhile, at the request of the girl's employer, a heavy police guard was set upon the Newton mansion, when it was learned that jewels valued at thousands of dollars are kept in the house, and it was feared that word of the small for-tune might have leaked to the underworld. Police stated that in probing the girl's past employers they learned that she had used two different names. that she had used two different flames. They also learned, it was stated, that she was in Everett on Tuesday afternoon to keep an appointment made by telephone with a man, and that yester-

day she again kept an appointment to meet a man who telephoned to her at her employer's home.

Detectives Hazen Chalmers and Robert Bowes of the North End station, acting under orders from Captain John J. Mullen, kept a secret watch on a place in the North End, where Repucci

is expected to appear.
The news that the men may have and ammunition arms acquired breaking into a sporting and ammuni-tion store was a direct tip from a prominent underworld figure to police The informof the North End station.

ant stated that the men had been refused assistance, and that they had broken into an ammunition store.

#### Armor Vests for Officers

Lieutenant Lawrence H. Dunn notifled police headquarters of the secret information in the case, and an emergency message was sent out on the tri-State teletype system to warn all police officers engaged in the search that the fleeing killers may be heavily armed. Bullet proof vests were served out to Boston police officers and detectives maintaining a vigil at the homes of a dozen persons to whom it is expected Repucci and Guarnelli will approximately appeal for help. eventually appeal for help.

Deputy Superintendent Claffin im-mediately ordered a checkup of all Claffin imstores, ammunition sporting stores, second hand stores, pawnshops and hardware stores where guns and ammunition are sold to determine when and where the two fleeing killers se-

cured arms and ammunition.

"They are too hot," underworld tipster explained it to the Boston police. "We couldn't afford to help a couple of crazy killers like those fellows. They say over at the big house that they both blew their tops (went crazy) when they found out they would have to serve the minimum of their sentence, and they were ready to blast their way out any way they could."

#### Newburyport Clue

In the far-flung search for the killers, police yesterday raced to Newburyport, where a filling station attendant on State street singled out as suspects two men riding in a Rhode Island automobile with two girls. He said the men resembled photographs of the two killers. Maine highway police and New Hamp-shire motor vehicle inspectors were asked to be on the lookout for an auto-

mobile with Rhode Island plates, the first three members being 129.
Gloucester police had three Italian fishing vessels under watch on a tip that Repucel would attempt to escape

by going offshore in a fishing vessel. Police of the North End station also searched the fishing boats tied up at T wharf because of the fact that Repucci has a relative who is a fisherman.

The fact that two notorious house-breakers are at large caused a deluge of false alarms from householders in a dozen Metropolitan Boston cities and towns. Every suspicious-acting man idling at any point in the Metropolitan area was likely to have a policeman step up and ask a few pertinent ques-

It is the belief of the police that the men are separated and are in separate hiding places, but are maintaining their contact so that if one gets a stake to make a dash for some other section of the country the other can share the

money The shoot-to-kill order issued by Boston police officials and the \$1000 reward offered by Governor Curley spurred the police in the search

### Watch in Gloucester

### Police Act on Tip That Convicts May Be Hiding in Italian Colony

GLOUCESTER, Dec. 25-Although almost convinced that the tip that Antonio Repucci, fugitive killer-convict, is hiding in the Italian quarter here is a case of mistaken identity, City Mar-shal Daniel M. Casey tonight ordered that a close watch be kept over the district.

Inasmuch as the convict is well acquainted with many local fishermen here the lookout will be maintained in

here the lookout will be maintained in the event that he and his pal, Edward Guarnelli, should attempt to flee to Nova Scotia, or to Southern ports aboard a fishing schooner.

Led by Russell Moody, Gloucester detective, a squad of local police, who hastily changed from uniforms to plain clothes, made a search of "the fort," Italian section of this port early today, following the receipt of a tip by Assistfollowing the receipt of a tip by Assistant City Marshal Charles L. O'Malley over the phone. O'Malley revealed that the tipster is known to him and is "a reliable character."

The assistant marshal notified Boston headquarters and the Gloucester police were soon joined by seven detectives, led by Lieutenant Louis Decessa.

Although the search was fruitless, was stated here tonight that the district will be kept under surveillance.

### The WISDOM BOX 4 By George C. MacKinnon

No Suite Suttee . .

Despite reports, John Murray Anderson's "good luck suit." which he wore during all "Jumbo" rehearsals with nary a cleansing nor pressing, was NOT incinerated when the Billy Rose whatizzit opened . . . Anderson kept it, & is wearing it still, Without Benefit of Cleansing, at all "Ziegfeld Follies" rehearsals . . And he won't be taking it off until after the show premieres here . . .

The production will be minus Swedish Celebrant . . . fall-apart scenery, electrical spectacles, & such tricksy trappings ...

Talent lavishly backgrounded is its keynote . . . By the way, a Wisbox Ogpu member states that he's never seen Anderson impressed "to any degree whatsoever" by what appears in the press about him, "but when I gave him your notice in last Thursday's Rec-



Billie Burke

ord he was immensely pleased!" . . . The only thing worrying the show's sponsors is that costumers & shoemfrs. aren't finding it possible to make deliveries on time . . . For the past few days Billie Burke has been attending rehearsals, where she loudly applauds each number! . . . Bob Alton going Big Berthas, with the result that the dance-dept, may dance away with the show . . . Bob is combining "moving-picture technique" with the demands of the theater, original effects resulting . . . He has a dressing-room on the stage of the theater where he's conducting rehearsals, & there he catches brief bits of repose on an army cot . His valet brings him in his meals, plus great cargoes of orange juice between times, & outside of the few moments when he's eating or napping you'll find him most of the day & night drilling the chorus! ... (Speaking of the "Follies" dancing, watch Duke McHale's Terpsichoring-he may halt the show any minute!) . .

#### Here It Is First . . .

Owen Gallagher, son of Dan & brother of Edgar, is D. A. minded . . If anticipation becomes realization, & Magician Howard Brooks wedlocks Mary O'Rourke, ex-Brown Derby line-doll, they'll do some of their honeymooning right here in Boston, where Howard has a Jan, booking . . . Just try to stop us taking a bow on our prediction that the A. A. U. would choose Brundage . . . The agreements for Brundage . the W. E. H.-Boston Y. M. H. A. basketball game, about which there has been much speculation, have just been signed! . . .

First baby born in Sweden in the 20th century was named Sven Yura Gustav Adolv Cederstrom . . . He arrived at 12:01 a. m. on Jan. 1, 1900. at Hinneryd, Sweden . . . But he didn't die of writer's cramp from penning his signature, & on New Year's Day will celeb his 36th birthday right here in Boston! . . . We're told it's tragic-the inability of Herman (E. M. Loew) Rifkin to win a bet on anything whatever from Cocoanut Grove's Abe Welansky . . . Emile Coulon, Jr., booked entertainer in his own right! . . .

### Pilgrim . . .

A Mr. Urquhart of Sidney, N. S., visited Boston mainly to behold Joe Rines, Mayfair maestro, in person ... But Joe didn't get his first name ... Maybe Joe does that only when they come all the way from Siberia...Speaking of long-distance a Daily Record subscriber) . Which doesn't quite match the British tars reading about Bob Berger's in London "in something called the Wisdom Box" . . . But it'll do nicely for the day's chief brag . . .

### Dept. of Bliss . . .

She may not know it, but the Magic Crystal indicates that Shirley (Hi-Way Express Co.) Freed-man will be bliss'd with a N'Year flasher . . . (With the thanks going to Motor Express' Maurice Kravetz?) . . . Gov. Curley has been propositioned to open the state armories for kids' pl grounds in towns lacking gyms kids' play-Lynn's Lloyd Webb & Medford's Helen Cotton happying . . .

### Beholdings . .

Tinfoil collecting becomes mania if you let it git yuh . well-dressed man had all Tremont st. goggling t'other day as he kept

dipping into gutters for gum & ciggie wrappers, carefully depositing the tinfoil in the pockets of his well-tailored o'coat . . . We saw-& heard-an important political campaign decided over a table at Jimmy O'Keefe's Grill in 5 minutes . utes . . . (They're deciding 'em quickly in these days, when statesmanlike minds scent in the breeze that Anything Can Happen!) . . . B'kline's Billy Burke & Beacon street's Al Decker showing a pal The Way To Go Home . . .

### Wrap It Up! . . .

An elderly lady sashayed into the Probate Court tother day & Mal Hallett into the "Westie" Blue briskly addressed an attendant in Room not merely because of his this fashion: "I'd like a divorce dance-music, but because Emile for Xmas!"... State legislature deems every band-member a star opens its '36 session N'Year Day, but will adjourn pronto . . . Par-, don our typewriter-it is, of course, on Norfolk & Plymouth Counties that Rep. Joe Downey seeks to confer separate D. A.'s . . .

### Won't Hurt At All . . .

The school committee publicity shouldn't make Dist. Atty. Foley reluctant to re-run for mayor . . Judy Canova may be a bit uncertain at the "Follies" premiere, as visits. Bill Kilner, Atlanta mfr., strolled into the Hi Hat & told Bossman Julius Rosenberg that he'd read about his place back home, in Georgia—in the Wisbox... Sudden Death" with understanding, after that "near one" on B'kline's after tlat "near one" on B'kline's Edgement rd. . . .

## BOSTON'S CHRISTMAS IS THE MOST BOUNTIFUL IN MANY YEARS pled Children in Newton Centre

### INSTITUTIONS **AND HOSPITALS** SHARE CHEER

Lacking only the traditional white background, bountiful Christmas in years was celebrated in Greater Boston yesterday.

As a result of the activities of scores of charitable organizations, institutions and individuals, the Yuletide spirit was brought to practically every home, together with the shut-ins at the hospitals,

the needy and the friendless. After an active Christmas Eve, Governor Curley spent a quiet day at his Jamaicaway home, surround-

ed by his children. A visit was made to the grave of Mrs. Curley in Calvary Cemetery. Dinner was served at 1:30 with Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Donnelly and members of the Donnelly family sitting down with the Governor and his four sons, Paul, Leo, George and

Inmates of all city institutions enjoyed full turkey dinners with all the fixin's including candy and fruit, and movies were shown at Charles Street Jail, Deer Island and Long Island Hospital.

### CURLEY MESSAGE

A special Christmas message by Governor Curley appeared on the program of the patients of state hospitals and children in welfare

At State Prison the more than 900 inmates had for their Christmas dinner roast pork, squash, potato, mince ple and coffee.

The City of Boston also acted as Santa Claus for many of those dependent on it. Patients and inmates at Long Island each received a gift, and the welfare department gave 1500 presents to city wards living in private homes.

Dr. James W. Manary, head of the City Hospital, said most of the too presents were able to anion.

1200 patients were able to enjoys the turkey dinner, which was also served at the Boston Sanatarium.

A program of entertainment in addition to the turkey dinner, was also arranged for the women and children at the Temporary Home for Women on Chardon st. The Walfare Department arranged with Welfare Department arranged with the Salvation Army and the Volun-teers of America to assist in providing turkey dinners for homeless men on the city's relief rolls.

### MAYOR PLAYS SANTA

Mayor and Mrs. Mansfield played Santa to the patients and inmates

at Long Island.

Eighty boys and girls at the New
England Peabody Home for Crip-

were given presents and a bounti-

At noon the Salvation Army served a Christmas dinner to 75 children at the Settlement and Day Nursery, 17 Staniford et., West End, Noursery, 17 Staniford et., West End, following the distribution of baskets to 2100 needy families. The Volunteers of America gave baskets to 500 old persons, and provided a dinner for 200 unemployed men.

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## Governor to Query Goodwin on Protest

Commenting today on the protest of Commenting today on the protest of Haerhill shoe workers against the participation of Frank A. Goodwin, registrar of motor vehicles, in a labor union trar of motor vehicles, in a labor union controversy in that city, Governor Curley said: "I will take the matter up with Mr. Goodwin and see what he has to say about it."

The shoe workers had protested to the

The shoe workers had protested to the governor that the registrar had misused his public office in engaging in the dis-

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## 2731 Baskets Sent by Governor's Office

Mrs. Agnes Parker, in charge of collection of funds at the State House for Christmas baskets distributed by the governor's office, submitted her report today,

saying:
"The total requests received for baskets was 7650. A check was made with other agencies engaged in the distribution of Christmas baskets in order to avoid duplication, so that the total number distributed through the office of the governor was 2731, at a cost of \$3 per basket. The total amount collected was \$5110.64 plus contributions of \$25. plus contributions

\$6110.64, plus contributions of 625 \$6110.64, plus contributions of 625 baskets, leaving a deficit of \$207.36 which will be taken care of by his excellency. "The interesting feature in connection with requests for Christmas baskets was with requests for Christmas baskets was that more than one-third of the entire requests were from heads of families requests were from neads of families who, through failure to receive the wages due them under the WPA, were unable to provide for the needs of those dependent on them."

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## Accident Spots Chosen for 32 State Sidewalks

#### Public Works Department Picks Sites Where 46 Have Been Killed, 386 Hurt

Thirty-two sidewalk projects, including the "twenty worst accident spots" in NORTH CHELMSFORD - Six children Massachusetts, where 386 pedestrians have been injured and forty-six killed on State highways in the last two years. have been undertaken as a safety measure, according to announcement today by William F. Callahan, State commissioner of public works.

Department has sixteen in active operation and the WPA has four. The State has completed two and is planning eight more, while the WPA has planned two

for this area.

Commissioner Callahan, who has made a survey of the accidents which occurred on State highways which lacked suitable sidewalk protection, reported that in the highways, largely without sidewalks, and two-year period of 1933 and 1934 the had no relation to city and town streets. number of accidents was "a fairly conclusive answer to those who say that sidewalks are not needed." He said that both he and Governor Curley believed that the accident rate could be sharply reduced by the construction of sidewalks.

#### Analysis of Projects

The survey made by Commissioner Callahan shows the number of accidents to children and adults at each of the locations with an analysis of the sidewalk projects as a preventive measure as follows:

METHUEN—Six children and twenty-two adults hurt, with six deaths; one WPA sidewalk project in operation.

WATERTOWN-Five children and eight adults, no deaths; one current WPA sidewalk project.

NORTH ATTLEBORO-Four children and ten adults, and one death; WPA plans one project.

CHICOPEE-Ten children and four adults, no deaths; one WPA project planned.

RANDOLPH—Twelve children and fif-teen adults, with six deaths; WPA and State each have one project in operation, and the State has a second one planned.

BROCKTON-Nine children and seven adults, with three deaths; W P A and State each have one project in operation, and the State has three more planned.

#### Use State Bond Issue Money

In each of the following fourteen communities, the WPA has no program, but the State bond issue money is being used or planned for sidewalk projects:

BROOKLINE-Accidents to four children and twenty-four adults, and one death; one State sidewalk completed.

children and eleven adults, with five deaths; State has finished one project, has two in operation and one planned.

and seven adults, with two deaths; two current State projects.

WEST ROXBURY-Ten children and six adults, with one death; one current State project.

SOMERVILLE-Seven children and thirteen adults, wit hone death; one current State project.

REVERE — Twenty-two children and thirty-six adults, with three deaths; three current State projects.

BRAINTREE-Three children and eleven adults, with three deaths; one current State project.

ATTLEBORO-Five children and fifteen adults, with two deaths; one current State project.

BILLERICA-Five children and fifteen adults, with two deaths; one State project planned.

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AUBURN-Four children and ten adults, with three deaths; one State project planned.

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Of these projects, the Public Works epartment has sixteen in active operation and the WPA has four. The State project.

SAUGUS—Two children and thirteen adults, wit hthree deaths; one current State project.

ANDOVER-Three children and twelve adults, with one death; one State project planned.

Commissioner Callahan pointed that these accidents and deaths to pedestrians were confined exclusively to State highways, largely without sidewalks, and

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### **Tugwell to Address Jackson Day Dinner**

Rexford G. Tugwell of President Roosevelt's "brain trust" has been invited to give the chief address at the Jackson day dirner at the Copley-Plaza Hotel at P. M., Jan. 8, the tickets for which will cost \$10 each.

Governor Curley today purchased four tickets for the dinner. The invitation to Tugwell has been ex-

tended by the Young Democrats of Massachusetts, co-operating with the Demo-cratic State and city committees. The dinner will be one of 3000 to be given throughout the country. The major por-tion of the receipts will be remitted to the Democratic National Committee, Another Jackson day dinner will be given

other Jackson day dinner will be given in Worcester on Jan. 8.

The committee having charge of the Boston dinner includes Miss Anna Mahony, Brighton, chairman; William Greene, Cambridge, speakers: Mrs. Barney McCormick, Boston, publicity; Joseph Howard, Roslindale, patrons; Miss Missay Words and Missay Committee of the committe Mildred Keane, Aliston, entertainment.

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### Raisers to Bring Goats to the Front at Rural Meeting in Worcester, Jan. 8

Goat raising is advancing to such importance in Massachusetts that its problems will be taken up for consideration at the next union agricultural meeting, which opens in the Worcester Memorial Auditorium on Jan. 8 for a three-day ses-

In the eighteen years that practically all the rural organizations in the State have held a yearly meeting together, this is the first time that goat raisers have been included. This time they will have a session of their own, on Friday morna session of their own, on Friday morning, Jan. 10, and will be addressed by Will TeWalt, secretary of the American Milk Goat Record Association on the subject: "Bringing Goats to the Front."

There is a New England Goat Breeders' Association whose president, A. F. A. Koening, will speak on "Goats—from Ancient to Modern Times." The question of forming a State Federated Goat Association will be discussed.

About twenty-five organizations will

About twenty-five organizations will participate in the union meeting, assembling both separately for their annual business transactions and jointly for discussion of meeting, which they have cussion of problems which they have in common. There will be educational trade exhibits, a trade show, a competitive apple show and State departmental exhibits and, according to A. W. Lombard, of the State Department of Agriculture, who has charge of the arrangements for the meeting, all the exhibition space in the building has been sold and alloted. He says about 10,000 persons are ex-

pected.
The Massachusetts Potato and Onion Growers Association will take part in the

meeting for the first time.

The new commissioner of agriculture, Howard Haines Murphy, will attend the banquet on Thursday evening, where Governor James M. Curley is expected to speak, and this will give the commissioner his first opportunity to meet the agricultural leaders of the State. Arthur C. Pillsbury will speak on "Miracles in Newsyn," The programmy of this agri-The management of this agricultural institute has been trying for five years to obtain him as a speaker.

Organizations which have joined in the three-day program are the New England Sheep and Wool Growers' Association, Massachusetts Federation of Poultry Associations, the Farm Bureau Federation, the Jersey Cattle Club, Eastern Shorthorn the Jersey Cattle Club, Eastern Southolm Breeders' Association, New England Brown Swiss Breeders' Assocation, Milk Inspectors' Association, Fruit Growers' Association, the Veterinary Association, Worcester County Poultry Association, State Federation of Beekeepers, Holstein Breeders' Assocation, Home Economics Division of the State College, Federated Dairy Assocation, State Vegetable Grow-ers' Association, Massachusetts Arbor-ists' Association, Farm Roadside Stands Association, Association of New England Milk Producers, Massachusetts Council of the N. E. M. P. A., Massachusetts Goat Growers, Massachusetts Department of Conservation and the Fire Fighting ConTRANSCRIPT Boston, Mass.

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## Vast Majority of WPA Men Got Their Pay

76.210 Checks Turned Over to Workers Christmas Eve, Rotch Reports

Of the 79,000 pay checks due last Monday and Tuesday to WPA workers all over the State 2790 remained in the office of the U. S. Treasury division office in Boston at the end of the day's work Christmas Eve, and some of them are still in the office.

All the other checks, or 76,210, had been delivered to the paymasters of the workers except in instances where the paymasters could not reach the workers. Some of the workers were not on their jobs in the afternoon, for. All the people are at work that This information was reported today to the WPA and the explanation given by the Treasury Department office for the failure of the 2790 checks to go out was that at the end of the day's work the avilable to repair the wires. The matchines in the office for the permitted to the paymater. The paymaters of the workers was a helf holiday, and they were not on their jobs in the afternoon. For. All the people are at work that This information was reported today to the WPA is scheduled to employ in this Arthur G. Rotch, State administrator of the WPA and the explanation given by the Treasury Department office for the failure of the 2790 checks to go out was the Massachusetts quota.

Regarding the order that many of the employees in the administrative offices that at the end of the day's work the are to be laid off at New Year, Mr. Rotch said that this order comes from Washington. These orders are to the effect that the administrative work is to be done for 2.5 per cent of the payroll.

There are reasons for the reduction. Some of the rush work incidental to the

chines was not responsible for the hold-up of all the 2799 checks left in the Treasury Department division office. Some of the checks could not go out of overdrafts

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## BUYS JACKSON DAY DINNER TICKETS



Gov. Curley purchasing four tickets for the Jackson day dinner to be held at the Copley Plaza Hotel Jan. 8, under auspices of the Young Democrats of Massachusetts. Left to right are Mrs. Barney McCormick, Gov. Curley, Margaret Reardon, Miriam Greene and Mary Moran.

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## ROTCH DENIES CURLEY CHARGE

### Asserts Projects Started Soon as Cash Is Ready; 300 to Lose Jobs

BULLETIN (latest)

Some \$18,000 in WPA checks was distributed today to 500 workers on five projects in Newton. About 80 of the men got checks for the last three weeks. Distribution was made at the various jobs. Some of the men danced for joy when they received their checks,

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Further, Rotch explained the proposed cut-down in administrative staff at WPA headquarters, Park Square building.

"The cut down has been ordered from Washington and I must reduce my administrative cost to 2½ per cent. of my monthly allotment.

"No, the reduction cannot be made on the basis of need. Rather, it will be made on the basis of the individual to the work required. Of course, if two persons are equally qualified for a particular task, then the needier will be retained," Rotch stated.

The discharge of possibly more than 300 workers must be made the first of the year in order to reduce the cost from about 4½ per cent. The ERA cost was figured at from five to six per cent.

First cuts will be made in such departments as the project, classification and other such divisions that do not require as much help from now on as they did in the preholiday rush and during the shift from ERA to WPA.

Concerning the confusion that existed in some cities and towns on Christmas Eve, Rotch said, "79,000 checks cleared here, and the treasury division reported to me this morning that only 2790 checks remained in this building over the holiday. True, that is a great number of checks. They represent about 1600 that couldn't be written as the checkwriting machines broke down and couldn't be repaired Tuesday night.

"The balance were checks that were delayed there because of errors. I had been told that all would be cleared and sent to the respective paymasters in the districts. Many who complained, the records show, were persons not entitled to pay, as their work fortnight was not up. Beyond that, reports this morning

indicate that because of the stopping of projects for a half-holiday many were prevented from getting in touch with their paymasters, and so many checks were held over that could have been paid," he continued.

At headquarters, the work of reducing the force has already begun and several departments have been decreased in number. Rotch was unable to state just how many would comprise the WPA office force when the slash had been made.

At the State House Gov. Curley made public a report given him by Mrs. Agnes Parker, who was in charge of contributions and the handling of the Governor's Xmas basket fund. "Of the 2731 baskets given out, more than one-third went to heads of families on the WPA who were unable to collect wages due them," Gov. Curley stated.

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There were 7650 requests for baskets but a check-up with other agencies distributing such baskets reduced the number delivered to 2731. The Parker report showed that \$6,110.64 was collected. As each basket cost \$3, there is a deficit of \$207.37 which the Governor will pay himself. He has directed Charles P Howard of the division of administration and finance to audit the report, a copy of which will be filed at the State House.

Gov. Curley also made public a letter dated Dec. 24, from Henry Morgan, WPA engineer at Wakefield which "thanked the Governor for his successful efforts in securing WPA pay for the 500 workers in the city." Morgan recently protested to the Governor that the "entire WPA pay structure had fallen down."

In Lynn, Mayor J. Fred Manning again charged the WPA with inefficiency and charged that it was necessary for federal investigators to check up the methods at the Salem headquarters of the Essex county district. Manning stated that only 1600 persons are employed in Lynn, although 3100 jobs were promised by the WPA. Boston headquarters retorted that Lynn has received an equitable share of the work. Mayor Manning then pointed out that unless more jobs can be found for Lynn, the city will be forced to spend \$250,000 more for relief next year.

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## CURLEY URGES U. S. PLANNING

Praises 'Brain Trust' for Security Program

The need for national planning by a "brain trust" was stressed last night by Gov. Curley in a Christmas message.

"In America," he said, "while we rejoice that the nation is free of war . . . and that there is indication that we are emerging from the industrial depression that has plagued America for nearly six years, we are nevertheless painfully aware of the poor and the unfortunate . destined to continue with us until such time as through the exercise of wisdom and courage we create an economic condition that will represent recognition of the fact that without God nothing is possible and that with God nothing is impossible.

"In other words, a more potent admixture of spiritual idealism with our material progress. The first, and to my mind the most important and long delayed step is represented by the creation both by nation, state and subdivisions of states of what is known as planning boards."

Referring to WPA salary difficulties in Massachusetts, the Governor sald:

"The necessity for such an organization has been amply demonstrated during the past six weeks in the subject of the failure of the works progress administration to properly function not only in the matter of the creation of works projects but in the matter of approving payrolls, with the result that in every section of Massachusetts and in many other sections of the country worthy citizens in dire need have been required to pass through the season of 'peace on earth to men of good will' without the receipt of money due them for work performed."

The Governor gave the federal planning board or "brain trust" all the credit for the country's new social security program, with its assurance not only for the aged, but also for the blind and the crippled.

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CURLEY TO ACT ON GOODWIN

### Will Ask Explanation of Activity Among Shoe Workers

A protest advocating the removal from office of Frank A. Goodwin, registrar of motor vehicles, and charging him with participation in labor troubles among shoe workers in Haverhill was received by Gov. Curley today following an address delivered by the registrar there last Monday night.

Goodwin, who spoke in behalf of the Brotherhood of Shoe and Allied Craftsmen of Brockton, an organization which he helped form some time ago, warned shoe workers against joining the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union.

The telegram received by the Governor accused Goodwin of "misusing his high public office" and said that he should be removed and reprimanded. Gov. Curley said that he would take the matter up with Goodwin and see what he had to say about it.

The registrar declined to comment on the protest when informed of its receipt by the Governor, saying that he would make no reply before he heard from His Excellency and that he would not answer until he learned in just what manner he is accused of misusing his office. Press Clipping Service
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## TO START WORK ON NEW HIGHWAY

(Special to the Traveler)
CARVER, Dec. 26—The state board of public works will start work at once on a new highway through Carver to the county seat, from connections at the North Lakeville rotary. Representative Ira Ward of Plymouth appealed to the selectmen of towns along the route and to Gov. Curley.

This highway will complete the route for traffic from lower New England, New York and southern and western states. The route as laid out runs through woodland, striking Middleboro over the old roadbed of the Middleboro & Plymouth branch railroad, through North and East Carver.

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## M'GRATH TO PLAN ROOSEVELT BALL

Gov. Curley today designated City Councilman Joseph McGrath, chairman of the Democratic state committee, as active chairman of the Massachusetts comittee to arrange for the birthday ball for President Roosevelt. McGrath will be assisted by Democratic office holders in federal, state and municipal service in Massachusetts.

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Atty.-Gen. Paul A. Dever ruled this afternoon that the industrial accident board was within its rights in granting to Senator William Conroy of Fall River a leave of absence from his position on the board as long as the Legislature is in session. Senator Conroy was named to the commission by Gov. Curley. He recently asked for a leave of absence from that position, which the board granted.

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## CURLEY SPENDS HOLIDAY AT HOME

Gov. Curley passed a quiet Christmas yesterday, seeing all of his children and receiving a few personal friends. In the morning he attended mass at the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes in Jamaica Plain with members of his family.

He called on his daughter, Mrs. Edward C. Donnelly, and then went to Calvary cemetery to place wreaths on the graves of his wife and children there. He lunched at home and spent the rest of the day there, only leaving to give a short radio broad-

### Personal Notel

Among the many who have made reservations for the annual Christmas supper dance of the Boston Academy of Notre Dame Alumnae to be held tomorrow evening in the main dining room of the Hotel Statler are Miss Agnes McHugh, Miss Anna Spang, Miss Pauline O'Brien, Miss Margaret McCarthy, Mrs. T. J. Walsh, Jr., president of the alumnae association, Miss Virginia Grimes, Miss Alice Quartz, Miss Catherine Stevens, Miss Anna S. McCarthy, Miss Louise Maguire, and Miss Dorothy Noonan

Patrons and patronesses for this affair are Gov James M. Curley, Mrs. P. A. Mc-Carthy, Mrs. Jane M. Mc-Key, Mrs. Edmund L. Grimes, Dr. Joseph Stanton, Dr. Henry McPeake, Mrs. R. J. Marrow, Mrs. M. J. Lyons, Mrs. A. J. Meserve, Mrs. Edward C. Donnelly, Mrs. Walter E. Doherty, Mrs. John Lannon, Miss Elizabeth Logan, Mrs. John T. Friary, Mrs. J. E. Maloney, Mrs. Frederick J. Crosby, Mrs. Frank Regan, Mrs. Frank C. Fullerton.

Mrs. R. A. Nordblom, Mrs. George McCarthy, Mrs. John Grady and Mrs. Edward Maguire.

Also Mrs. Patrick J. Mackin, Mrs. Frank Joyce, Mrs. John Flynn, Jr., Mrs. Walter B. Farr, Mrs. Edward M. Gallagher, Mrs. Joseph A. Waters, Mrs. Richard J. Shaw, Mrs. Warren A. Fogarty, Miss Isabel Patch, Mrs. Theresa Fitzpatrick, Miss Katherine Flynn, Mrs. F. J. Fallon, Mrs. Frederick S. Cosgrove and Mrs. Michael H. Blute.

Others are Miss Josephine Driscoll, Mrs. G. A. Powers, Mrs. M. J. McCarthy, Miss Katherine White, Miss Mary I. Colwell, Mrs. John Attridge, Mrs. Arthur Moore, Mrs. John L. Sullivan, Mrs. Edmund G. Dalton, Mrs. Austin McHugh, Mrs. John O'Hagan, Mrs. B. Hogan and Mrs. John McInerney.

Still others are Mrs. Joseph L. McNamara, Mrs. John H. Morris, Miss Marguerite Maguire, Mrs. James F. Guthrie, Mrs. D. W. Duris, Mrs. D. H. O'Brien, Mrs. Patrick Malloy, Mrs. N. S. Murphy and Mrs. J. A. Murphy.

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### NATIONAL GUARD CAMP ASSURED

Surveyors at Work on Cape for \$120,000 Project

(Special to the Traveler) BUZZARDS BAY, Dec. 26-Uncle Sam has opened his purse strings to the extent of \$120,000, approval has been given for the building of a national guard camp in the upper Cape, and soon hundreds of acres of woodlands in the Bourne, Falmouth Sandwich districts will be humming with activity for Cape Cod's military camp is a certainty.

Engineers are now busily engaged surveying the large tract selected for Ten surveyors with 25 the site. helpers are working at scattered points such as Hatchville, North Falmouth, and other places. The larger portion of the land lies in the town of Bourne, with small sections projecting into Falmouth and Sand-

wich.

Erection of buildings, it is stated, will follow the clearing of woodlands and construction of roads.

Strenuous objection at first was voiced to the location of a national guard camp here, but this has dwindled or has been greatly subdued. Early polls regarding the attitude of the citizens toward the camp showed 1586 opposed and 134 in favor. Despite all the opposition, the land was purchased with state funds, through a joint agreement with the war department, last October.

The bone of contention of the part of opponents of the measure was the allegation that the camp would ruin the primitive appearance of the district and that the presence of soldiers and sightseers would be

detrimental to the Cape's summer

resort interests.

The Cape Cod camp will be the national guard headquarters of the East, replacing Fort Devens, which is to be abandoned as soon as the Cape project is ready. The survey will continue throughout the winter, weather permitting, and it is expected the first spring days will see the start of actual building, with thousands of carpenters, laborers and other tradesmen working at tcp speed to make the camp one of the finest of its kind in the east.